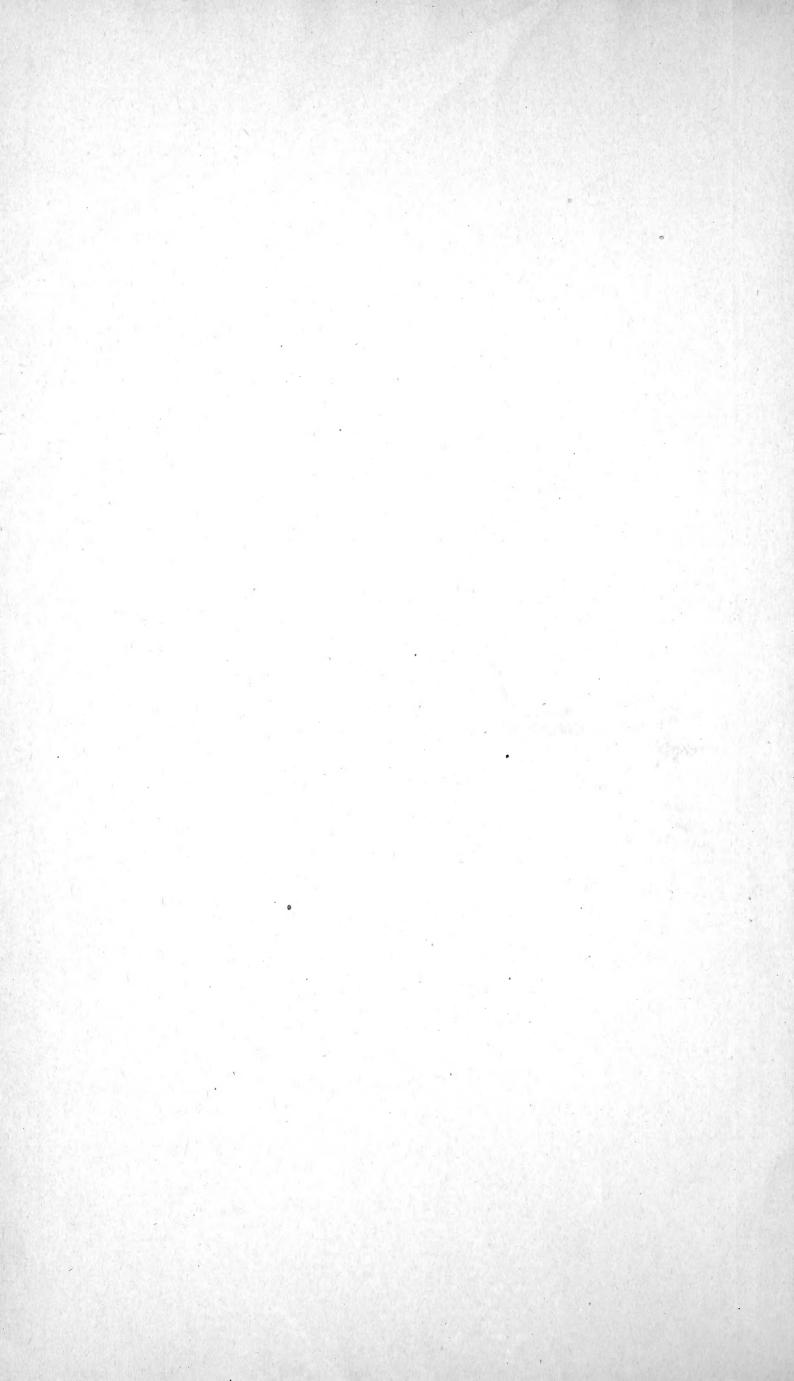


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THE

PREFACE

ALTHOUGH the Author does not here mean to give a Preface at large, referving that until the first volume, containing thirty-fix numbers or two hundred and fixteen plants, shall be compleated; yet he prefumes it will be satisfactory to his subscribers, and the public, to be informed a little more fully of the nature and design of the work; as it will also give him an opportunity of answering some few objections that have been made to the plan of it.

The primary defign of it then, is to facilitate a knowledge of the plants of our own country, and establish each species and variety on a firm basis: this the Author considers as the grand desideratum at present; this arduous task once accomplished, a way will be opened, and a foundation laid for numberless improvements in Medicine, Agriculture, &c.

To be enabled to do this, he means to take the greatest pains in the examination of those plants which he figures; to have them drawn from living specimens most expressive of the general habit or appearance of the plant as it grows wild; to place each plant, as much as is consistent, in the most pleasing point of view; and to be very particular in the delineation and description of the several parts of the flower and fruit, more especially where they characterize the plant.

And in order that he may obtain a more perfect knowledge of each plant; that he may fee it in every ftage of its growth, from the germination to the maturity of its feed; that he may compare and contrast the several species together; that he may make experiments to elucidate the nature of such as are obscure, or bring into more general use those which bid fair to be of advantage to the public; he is now cultivating each of them in a garden near the city, into which, by the kind affistance of his friends, he has already introduced, in the course of one year, about five hundred different species, including sixty of that most valuable tribe of plants the grasses.

Although the afcertaining and fixing of the plants will be his principle object, yet to make the work more useful to the public, as well as instructive and entertaining to the young botanist, his utmost endeavours will be used to lay before them whatever may be found useful in old botanic writers; and here they must not be surprized to find many of the numerous and imaginary virtues, which they attributed to almost every plant, purposely omitted: the discoveries made by modern authors, particularly relative to Agriculture and Rural Oeconomy, will be carefully attended to; as here seems to be a field just opening to view, from whence the public is likely to draw great and lasting advantages: and as a knowledge of the plants themselves is first necessary, and for want of which, indeed, the experimental farmer cannot effectually communicate his improvements, he finds himself peculiarly happy in contributing his share to the public good.

He is nevertheless sensible how inadequate his abilities, or indeed the abilities of any one person are, to render a work of this kind any ways compleat; he therefore respectfully solicits the affistance of those, who wish well to the improvement of English Botany and English Agriculture: any information they shall be pleased to communicate, shall with those favours he has already received from divers of his friends, be gratefully acknowledged; and to induce them the more readily to communicate, he has subjoined a catalogue of those plants which (with many others) are already drawn, and which he intends shall form the next Fasciculus.

He is forry it has not been in his power to publish his numbers so fast as was originally proposed: the delay has chiefly been occasioned by the loss of one of his principal artists, whose place is now supplied by two others equally eminent; so that the drawing and engraving, which before fell to the share of one person, being now divided betwixt two, he flatters himself he shall be able to publish a number once a month, or six weeks at farthest—he is however determined never to sacrifice the accuracy or utility of the work to hurry—on this principle he has been at the expence of having some of his plates engraven twice, and even three times over before he could venture to publish them. As the delay has originated from this source, he hopes none of his subscribers that have hitherto so generously contributed to the carrying on of the work, will withdraw that assistance, which alone can enable him to prosecute it with advantage to the public, credit to himself, and satisfaction to them.

It now remains to obviate some sew objections which have been made to the plan of this work; and first, it has been suggested to the Author, that it would have been better received, if, instead of pursuing the present plan, he had published those plants only which were not figured in the Flora Danica, a work now carrying on in Denmark under the auspices of the King: but a few moments reflection, must be presumes be sufficient, to convince every unprejudiced person, how inadequate such a partial publication would have been to the making a knowledge of the plants of our country more general among ourselves—at best such a work could only answer the purpose of those sew individuals who are in possession of that part of the Flora Danica already published; and as that is still going on, there is no doubt but the same plants would be published by both Authors; thus, the Butomus umbellatus, Solanum Dulcamara, and Ervum hirsutum, have been published in the Flora Danica since they were published in the Flora Londinensis, so that in the end even those persons would be obliged to purchase duplicates of the same plant.

Another reason why the Author could not adopt the plan proposed to him, was the limited scale of the Flora Danica, which contains the figures and names of the plants only, but gives us no account of their properties, nor teaches us how to distinguish the difficult plants from one another; the plates likewise being small folio, cannot admit many of the plants of their natural size, several of the graffes for instance, as the Festuca suitans and Aira aquatica are obliged to be so cut and diminished as scarcely to be known. Many other objections might be urged without any view to depreciate a work which, though not so compleat in some respects as could be wished, has exceeding great merit:—but these will probably be deemed sufficient.

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The engraving of one plant only on each plate has been another objection which some have strongly urged, while others have in as warm terms testified their approbation of it. It may be proper to mention, that whether one or more had been engraven on a plate, the difference in the expence would have been trisling, and chiefly in the paper: as they now are, each is distinct, and every one is at liberty to place them according to that system which he most approves of.

The want of figures of reference to the plates, or letter-prefs, has been perhaps a more folid objection; but the Author hopes, that by the use of the indexes described below, this also will be obviated.

Having now, fo far as he can recollect, answered every thing deserving the name of an objection, he willingly submits his performance to the judgment of a candid and impartial public; conscious of having used his best endeavours to be serviceable in his department.

Uses of the Indexes, with Directions for Binding.

In the first Index the plants are placed according to the System of Linneus, with which it is presumed, the greatest part of his subscribers are best acquainted. To find out any plant, even though the person be not acquainted with this mode of arrangement, look in the alphabetical English or Latin Index, and you will find the figures corresponding with them as placed in the book: if for example I want to find Ivy, I look for it in Index, No. 3, where the English names are alphabetically arranged, and find it to be the 16 plate, as there are 72 plates in each Fasciculus, I can readily guess within a few plates where it is placed: to those who have been accustomed to look out plants in Linneus's works it will come easier; but if each subscriber will take the small pains of siguring the plates with a black lead pencil, any plant may then be immediately referred to. The Author could not hit on any mode more eligible, consistent with the irregular order in which he has been obliged to publish his plants.

With every third Fasciculus will be given a general and more copious Index, with a Glossary of the technical terms used in the work.

He would recommend to his subscribers, that each Fasciculus containing twelve numbers, be bound in boards, and not cut at the edges; the plates to be placed in the same order in which they occur in the first Index; taking care that each plate be put opposite to the letter-press belonging to it, with a leaf of thin paper betwixt them. If any should be at a loss to have them properly done, they will be pleased to fend them to Raham Reepe's, Bookbinder, in Crooked Lane, near the Monument, who binds the Author's.

N. B. It may be necessary to caution the Bookbinder against beating the Numbers, as that operation would probably destroy the beauty of the plates.

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VERONICA AGRESTIS. PROCUMBENT

GARDEN-SPEEDWELL.

VERONICA Linnæi. Gen. Pl. DIANDRIA MONOGYNIA. Raii. Syn. Gen. 18. HERBÆ FRUCTU SICCO SINGULARI FLORE MONOPETALO.

VERONICA agrefiis, floribus folitariis, pedunculatis; foliis cordatis incifis, petiolatis; caule procumbente.

VERONICA agrestis, floribus solitariis, foliis cordatis incisis pedunculo brevioribus. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 56.

VERONICA floribus folitariis, foliis cordatis incifis petiolatis. Hudfon Fl. Angl. p. 6.

VERONICA caule procumbente; foliis petiolatis, ovatis, crenatis. Haller. Hift. V. 1. n. 594.

VERONICA agrestis. Scopoli. Fl. Carn. p. 21 DIAGN. Primiflora; foliis ovato-cordatis, crenatis, pedunculo brevioribus.

VERONICA floribus fingularibus, in oblongis pediculis, Chamædryfolia. Raii. Syn. p. 279. Germander-Speedwell or Chickweed.

ALSINE foliis Triffaginis: Gerard. emac. 616. Parkinfon. 764.

ALSINE Chamædryfolia flosculis pediculis oblongis infidentibus. Bauhin. Pin. 250. Oeder. Fl. Dan. Icon. 449.

RADIX annua, fibrofa.

CAULES plures, primum erecti, tandem procumbentes, STALKS several, first upright, then procumbent, about semipedales, subvillosi, teretes.

CALYX: Perianthium quadripartitum, laciniis lance-olatis, hirfutis, fubtortuofis, fig. 1.

twisted, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetala, subrotata, calyce brevior, læ
COROLLA monopetalous, somewhat wheel-shaped and vissimo fere tactu decidua; Tubus brevissimus; LACINIÆ concavæ, fubrotundæ, nunc penitus cœruleæ, nunc venis cœruleis striatæ, fig. 2.

tus, staminibus brevior; STIGMA album, capi-

ROOT annual and fibrous.

FOLIA alterna, ovato-cordata, ferrata, petiolis brevibus LEAVES alternate, of an oval-heart fhape, ferrated, infidentia, fubhirfuta.

infidentia, fubhirfuta.

FLORES pedunculati, pedunculi axillares, longitudine fere foliorum, post florescentiam reflexi.

FLOWERS placed on foot-stalks, which proceed from the Axillæ of the leaves and are nearly of the fame length; after the flowers are gone off turning back.

CALYX: a Perianthium divided into four laciniæ, which are lanceolate, hairy, and fomewhat

fhorter than the Calyx, falling off on the least touch; the TUBE very short; the LACINIÆ concave, and roundish, sometimes wholly blue, fometimes striped with blue, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA duo, alba, medio crafilora; STAMINA: two FILAMENTS of a white colour and thickeft in the middle; Antheræ blueifh,

ANTHERÆ Cœrunercentes, 1/8. 3.

PISTILLUM: Germen fubcompressum, hirsutulum, basi pectario cinctum; Stylus viridis, apice incrassa- rounded at bottom by a Nectarium; the Style rounded at bottom by a Mectarium; the Style rounded at top, and shorter than the

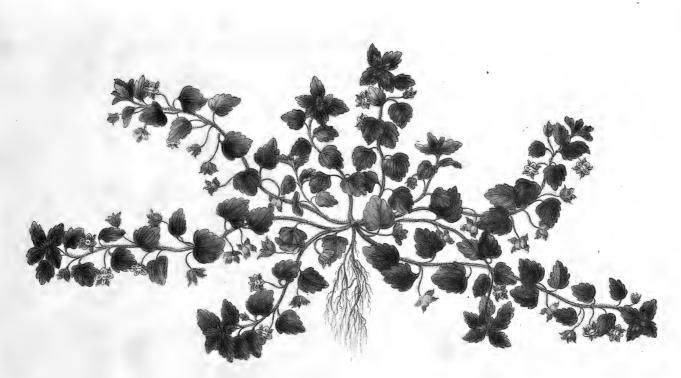
tus, staminibus brevior; Stigma album, capitatum, fig. 4.

PERICARPIUM Capsulæ Veronicæ ferpyllifolia similis, at major rotundiorque, fig. 5.

SEMINA pallide fusca, plerumque 6 in singulo loculamento, rugosa, hinc convexa, inde concava, fig. 6. other, fig. 6.

THERE are few Botanists but what are apt to confound this species of Veronica with the Veronica arvens, and this appears to arise in some degree from their similarity to each other, but more perhaps from the similitude of their Latin, and the ambiguity of their English names. To prevent in some degree this confusion, I have taken the liberty of altering the English name of Germander-Speedwell or Chickweed to that of procumbent garden Speedwell, in order that the young Botanist may thereby more readily distinguish it from the species above mentioned. The stalks of the Agressis are usually procumbent, and it is found generally in Gardens; whereas the Arvenss has an upright stalk, and with us is found most commonly on Walls. Besides such obviously distinguishing characters, these two plants differ considerably in many other respects. In the Arvenss the leaves are session, in this they are placed on footstalks; in the Arvenss the flowers are session, in this species they likewise, are placed on foot-stalks: and a difference still more remarkable, or at least more curious, exists, which seems not to have been attended to, viz. the largeness and roundness of the seed-vession, and the particular structure of the seed. In most of the Veronicas the seed-vessel is heart-shaped, and even in this species it retains somewhat of that form, although each of the Cavities is large and round; and if we examine the form of the seeds, we shall not wonder at this particular construction, for each feed instead of being small and sat in other Veronicas, is large, convex on one side, hollow on the other, and wholly different in its appearance. This peculiarity of structure, shows what inconstancy there is in the parts of fructification, and how improper it would be to found a Genus on the particular form of any one of them, since those which are in general the most uniform, are sometimes subject to such uncommon variations. The number of seeds in each Capsule is generally about 12, Linneus slays 8, Scopoli from 16 to 20.

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Weronica agrestis.







VERONICA CHAMÆDRYS. WILD GERMANDER.

VERONICA Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIANDRIA MONOGYNIA.

Raii Syn. Gen. 18. Herbæ fructu sicco singulari, flore monopetalo.

VERONICA Chamadrys racemis lateralibus, foliis ovatis rugosis dentatis sessilibus, caule bifariam piloso. Lin, Syst. Vegetab. p. 57. Fl. Suecic. p. 6.

VERONICA foliis cordatis subrotundis, hirsutis, nervosis, ex alis racemosa. Haller. bift. n. 536.

CHAMÆDRYS spuria minor rotundisolia. Bauhin. pin. 249.

CHAMÆDRYS spuria sylvestris. Parkinson, 107.

CHAMÆDRYS fylvestris. Gerard. emac. 657. Raii Syn. 281. Wild Germander, Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 59 Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. p. 15. (a) OEder Fl. Dan. icon. 448.

RADIX perennis, repens, fibrofa.

CAULES numerofi, decumbentes, teretes, duri, bifariam dense birsuti, ramosi.

FOLIA cordato-ovata, opposita, nunc sessilia nunc petiolis LEAVES of an heart shaped oval form, opposite, genebrevibus infidentia, ferrata, venofa, hirfutula.

FLORES numerofi, ad 20, cærulei, petiolati: Petioli * BRACTÆA lanceolatâ fuffulti; RACEMI longi, * nunc oppositi nunc solitarii.

COROLLA monopetala, rotata, tubus breviffimus internè ad inferiorem partem villofus, LIMBO quadripartito, plano, laciniis fubcordatis ad bafin venis saturatioribus striatis, inferiore angustiore, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA duo apice incrassata, adscendentia, fig. 3. Antheræ sagittatæ, fig. 4. pollen album, fig. 6. STAMINA: two FILAMENTS, thickest at top, rising upward, fig. 3. the Antheræ arrow-shaped, fig. 4. the Pollen white.

PERICARPIUM: CAPSULA cordata, fubcompressa, pallide fusca, calyce paulo brevior, ad marginem hirfutulum, fig. 7.

SEMINA: plura, compressa, flavescentia, fig. 8.

ROOT perennial, creeping, and fibrous.

STALKS numerous, fpreading, round, hard, hairy on each fide, hairs very thick together, branched.

rally fessile, sometimes standing on short footstalks, serrated, veiny, and slightly hirfute.

FLOWERS numerous, to 20, of a bright blue colour, forming long RACEMI (which are fometimes opposite, fometimes single), standing on foot-falks, each of which is supported by a longpointed BRACTEA.

CALYX Perianthium quadripartitum, perlistens, fo- CALYX: a Perianthium divided into four segments, and continuing, the segments lanceolate and slightly hairy, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetalous and wheel shaped, the TUBE very fhort, internally villous on the lowermost fide, the LIMB flat, and divided into four fegments, the fegments fomewhat heart-shaped, striated at bottom with veins of a purple colour, the lowermost fegment narrower than the rest.

PISTILLUM: Germen compression glandula nectarifera cinctum: Stylus declinatus, cærulescens, stigma obtusum, purpureum, fig. 5.

PISTILLUM: the Germen flattish, surrounded at bottom by a nectariferous gland, fig. 6. the Style hanging downwards, blueish; the Stigma blunt, and purple, fig. 5.

SEED-VESSEL: a CABSULE, heart-shaped, flattish, of a light brown colour, a little shorter than the calyx, and slightly hairy at the edge, fig. 7,

SEEDS feveral, flat, of a yellowish brown colour, fig. 8,

The flowers of this Veronica are the largest and most specious of all the Plants of that Genus which grow wild in this Kingdom; many plants with less beauty are cultivated in our Gardens with the greatest care.

The leaves have been recommended by some writers as a substitute for Tea,

It bears a confiderable resemblance to the Veronica montana, but differs effentially from that plant in the fize of its Seed-vessels and the great number of flowers which it bears on its Racemi. See Jacquin. Flor. Austriac. Vol. 2.

When growing wild the leaves are usually sessile or placed on very short foot-stalks, when cultivated they become larger and the foot-stalks moderately long; a kind of monstrosity, which Linnæus has likewise observed, is very frequent on the leaves at the extremity of the stalk; which are collected into a very hairy white knob, on opening one of these I found two or three Insects in their Pupa or Chrysalis state, which most probably would have produced some species of Fly. This appearance is very common at the latter end of Summer.

This is an early blowing plant, and grows very common on dry banks, under hedges, and in orchards; it flowers in May and June.

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VERONICA SERPYLLIFOLIA. LITTLE SMOOTH SPEEDWELL.

OR PAUL'S BETONY.

VERONICA Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIANDRIA MONOGYNIA.

Raii Syn. Gen. 18. Herbæ fructu sicco singulari, flore monopetalo.

VERONICA ferpyllifolia racemo terminali fubspicato, foliis ovatis glabris, crenatis. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 56. Fl. Suecic. p. 6.

VERONICA caule recto, foliis ovatis, glabris, crenatis, petiolis ex alis unifloris, breviffimis. Haller hift. n. 546.

VERONICA pratenfis ferpyllifolia. Bauhin Pin. 247.

VERONICA pratenfis minor. Parkinfon. 551.

VERONICA minor. Gerard emac. 627.

VERONICA foemina quibusdam, aliis Betonica Pauli Serpyllifolia. I. Bauhin. III. 285.

VERONICA Raii Syn. p. 279. n. 3. Hudson, Fl. Angl. p. 4. n. 4 Scopoli Fl. Carniol. V.1. p. 12. n. 10 OEder Fl. Dan. icon. 492.

RADIX perennis, fibrofiffima.

CAULES numerofi, ad basin repentes, dein erecti, sim_ plices, palmares, teretes, læves.

et obsolete serrata, glabra, trinervia.

FLORES albi, venis cæruleis picti, spicati, pedunculati, 🕏 alterni, BRACTEÆ magnæ, ovatæ.

CALYX: Perianthium quadripartitum, laciniis ovatoacutis, glabris, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetala, rotata; tubus brevissimus; la- COROLLA monopetalous, wheel-shaped, the tube very cîniæ subcordatæ, inferiore angustiore; superiore lacinia striis aut venis purpureis octo notata, lateralibus venis duabus, inferiore penitus alba, fig. 2.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN subcompressum, STYLUS albus, apice paululum incrassatus, persistens. STIGMA capitatum, rubens, fig. 3.

NECTARIUM ad basin germinis, ut in Veronica Cha- ‡ mædrys.

PERICARPIUM: CAPSULA fubcordata, fusca, pro magnitudine plantæ magna, fig. 4.

SEMINA plurima, 60 numeravi, e luteo-fufca, fub-ovata, fig 8.

ROOT perennial, and very fibrous.

STALKS numerous, creeping at bottom, then growing upright, fimple, three or four inches high, round and fmooth.

FOLIA opposita, subconnata, subrotundo-ovata, rariser & LEAVES opposite, nearly uniting at bottom, of a roundish-oval form, here and there slightly serrated, smooth and trinervous.

> FLOWERS white, coloured with blue veins or firipes, growing in spikes on foot-stalks alternately. FLORAL LEAVES large and oval.

> CALYX: A PERIANTHIUM divided into four parts, the Segments of an oval pointed shape, and fmooth, fig. 1.

> short, the segments somewhat heart-shaped, the lower one narrowest; the upper segment marked with eight purple veins or stripes, the side ones with two, and the lower one entirely white fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA duo, alba, apice incraffata, STAMINA: two FILAMENTS, white and thickish to-fg. 5, 6. Antheræ cærulescentes. wards the extremity; the Antheræ blueish

fig. 5, 6.
PISTILLUM: the GERMEN flattish, the STYLE white, a little thicker towards the extremity, and continuing. STIGMA roundish, and of a redish colour, fig. 3.

NECTARY at the bottom of the Germen as in the Veronica Chamædrys.

SEED-VESSEL: a CAPSULE fomewhat heart-shaped, of a brown colour, and large in proportion to

the plant, fig. 4.
SEEDS numerous, of a yellowish brown colour, and fomewhat oval shape, fig. 8. We counted 60 in one capfule.

No particular virtues are attributed to this little plant by Writers.

It is one of the least of the Veronicas, and occurs frequently in Meadows and Fields, and sometimes in Gardens, flowering in the Spring and Autumnal Months.

There is a great deal of delicacy in its blossoms, but they are too minute to make its beauty conspicuous enough for the Garden

Its fmall, round, fmooth and shining leaves readily distinguish it from the other Speedwells.





SWEET-SCENTED Anthoxanthum odoratum. OR VERNAL GRASS.

ANTHOXANTHUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIANDRIA DIGYNIA:

Calyx. Gluma bivalvis, uniflora. Corolla. Gluma bivalvis, acuminata. Semen unicum.

Raii Synop. Gen. 27. HERBÆ GRAMINIFOLIÆ FLORE IMPERFECTO CULMIFERÆ.

ANTHOXANTHUM odoratum spica oblonga, ovata, laxa.

ANTHOXANTHUM odoratum spica oblonga, ovata, flosculis subpedunculatis arista longioribus, Linnai Syst.

Vegetab. p. 67. Fl. Suecic. No. 33.

AVENA diantha, folliculo villoso, calycis glumis inaequalibus, altera de imo dorso, altera de summo aristata. Haller, hist. helv. No. 1491.

ANTHOXANTHUM odoratum Scopoli Fl. Carniol. No. 38. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 10. Stilling sleet miscel.

t. 1. Schreber Gram. tab. 5. p. 49.

GRAMEN pratense spica flavescente. Bauhin. Pin. 2.

GRAMEN pratense spica flavescente. Bauhin. Pin. 3. GRAMEN vernum spica brevi laxa. Raii Syn. 389. Scheuch. bist. 88.

RADIX perennis, fibrofa. CULMI primum obliqui, demum erecti, dodrantales aut pedales.

FOLIA inter digitos attrita odorem Asperulæ odoratæ fpargunt, plerumque pubescentia, sæpe leniter tortuosa, membrana ad basin instructa, Vagina striata, lævis.

SPICÆ oblongo-ovatæ, laxæ. CALYX: Gluma bivalvis, Valvulis inæqualibus, inferiore dimido breviore, membranacea, acuta, fuperiore acuminata, nervis tribus viridibus ex-

tantibus, fig. 3, 2. COROLLA: Gluma bivalvis, valvulæ subæquales, membranaceæ, pilosæ aristatæ, suscæ; altera Arista quæ demum geniculata fit, prope basin exiurgit, altera prope apicem, fig. 4.

NECTARIUM: GLUMULÆ duæ, pellucidæ, nitidæ, ovatæ, inæquales, germen includentes, fig. 5, 6.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA duo prælonga; ANTHERÆ oblongæ, purpureæ, utrinque furcatæ, fig. 5.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN minimum oblongo-ovatum;
STYLI duo filiformes glumi longiores, versus a-

picem plumulosæ, fig. 7.

SEMEN unicum, Nectario fusco, nitido, inclusum, fig. 8.

ROOT perennial and fibrous.
STALKS at first growing obliquely, finally becoming up-

right, usually from 8 to 12 inches high. LEAVES, if rubbed betwixt the fingers, fmelling like Woodroff, generally pubescent and often curled, furnished with a membrane at bottom; the Sheath striated and smooth.

SPIKES of an oblong oval shape and smooth. CALYX: a GLUME of two Valves, the Valves unequal, the lowermost shorter by one half, membranous and acute; the uppermost acuminated, with

three firong nerves or ribs, fig. 3, 2. COROLLA: a GLUME of two Valves, the Valves nearly equal, membranous, hairy, of a brown colour, and furnished with Aristæ, one of the Aristæ, which finally becomes bent, springs from the base of the Valve, the other almost at the top,

NECTARIUM: two small, pellucid, shining, oval, un-equal Glumes or Valves inclosing the Germen,

fig. 5, 6. STAMINA: two FILAMENTS very long; ANTHERÆ

long, purple, forked at each end, fig. 5.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN very fmall, of an oblong oval shape; Styles two, slender, longer than the valves, and towards the top a little feathered,

fig. 7. SEED fingle, inclosed within its brown, shining Nectarium, fig. 8.

THE Anthoxanthum is distinguished from the other Grasses by a very singular circumstance, viz. that of having only two Stamina, fig. 1. hence it is placed by LINNEUS among the Diandrous plants, and separated from all the other Grasses; this peculiarity, although it occasions a separation which does violence as it were to Nature, yet it serves in a very ftriking manner to discriminate this Genus from a numerous and difficult tribe of plants: exclusive of this singularity, it differs also very essentially in the other parts of its fructification; each of the Spiculæ contains in common with many other graffes, only one flower, fig. 1: one of the Glumæ Calycinæ, or valves of the Calyx, is small and membranous, fig. 3; the other is large, and incloses, or wraps up in it, as it were, the whole of the fructification, fig. 2; these glumes, so far as I have observed, do not open and expand themselves in the manner observable in the Avena's, and many other graffes, were they separate quite wide, and expose their little feathery Styles; but the Stamina and Pistilla appear to push themselves out, the glumes remaining closed, fig. 1. The Glumæ Corollaceæ are very dissimilar to those of most other graffes, being remarkably hairy, and having each of them an Arista, the longest of which springs from near the base of the glume, is at first straight, but as the feed becomes ripe, the top of it is generally bent horizontally inward; the other Arista arises from near the top of the opposite Glume or Valve, fig. 4. The Glumulæ Nestarii or little Glumes of the Nectarium, differ no less in their structure, being composed of two little oval shining Valves, one of which is smaller than the other; these closely embrace the Germen, and cannot be seen but with great difficulty, unless they are observed just at the time that the Antheræ are protruding from betwixt them, when they are very distinct, fig. 6; as soon as the Antheræ are excluded, they again close on the Germen, and continue to form a coat to the feed which does not separate fig. 5, 8.

The Farmer, or those who have not been accustomed to examine plants minutely, may readily distinguish this grass by its smell; if the leaves are rubbed betwixt the fingers, they impart a grateful odour like that of Woodruff,—hence I have called it sweet-scented. a very striking manner to discriminate this Genus from a numerous and difficult tribe of plants: exclusive of this singu-

I have called it fweet-fcented.

Like the Trifolium repens or Dutch Clover, and many others of our most useful plants, this Grass grows on almost every kind of soil, from the poorest and driest, to the most fertile and boggy; it seems however in general to prefer a soil that is moderately dry. It is subject, like all other plants, to vary in its size, according to the goodness of the ground it grows in: the leaves have a particular tendency to be curled if the soil be rich; and when it grows in woods, the spikes are often much stenderer and looser.

It has been called by some Authors Vernal or String Grass from its coming into ear earlier than most others; towards the

It has been called by some Authors Vernal or Spring Grass, from its coming into ear earlier than most others; towards the middle of May it is in full bloom, and about the middle of June the seed is ripe—and may be easily separated on rub-

bing.

There is great reason to believe, that this is one of our Grasses which might be cultivated with considerable advantage: in the meadows about town it grows to a considerable height, and forms a thick tust of leaves at bottom; but the circumstance most in its favour, is its early appearance in the Spring: this seems to point it out as a proper grass to sow with others in laying down meadow land, and probably the Poa trivialis or common Meadow Grass, with the Festuca elation or Meadow Fescue joined to it, would form a mixture, the produce of which, would for this purpose, be superior to that of most others.



Anthoxanthum odoratum.







SWEET-TASTED WATER AIRA. AIRA AQUATICA.

AIRA Linnæi Gen. Pl. TRIANDRIA DIGYNIA.

Cal. 2 valvis, 2 florus. Flosculi absque interjecto rudimento.

Raii Syn. Gen. 27. HERBÆ GRAMINIFOLIÆ FLORE IMPERFECTO CULMIFERÆ.

AIRA aquatica panicula patente, floribus muticis lævibus calyce longioribus, foliis planis. Linnæi Syft. Vegetab. p. 96. Fl. Suecic. No. 68.

POA locustis bistoris; glabris, storali gluma majori plicata, serrata. Haller bist. No. 1471.

AIRA aquatica Scopoli Fl. Carniol. 94. Hudson Fl. Angl. 29.

AIRA culmo inferiore repente, flosculis muticis calyce longioribus, altero pedunculato. Roy. lugdb. 60.

GRAMEN caninum supinum paniculatum dulce. Bauhin Pin. 2.

GRAMEN miliaceum aquaticum. Raii Syn. 402. Scheuz. agr. 218.

GRAMEN miliaceum fluitans fuavis faporis. Merret. Pin.

RADIX perennis.

CULMUS basi repit, surculosque emittit more Festucæ fluitantis qui longe excurrunt et ad geniculos radiculas plures albas dimittunt; culmus demum erigitur, pedalis circiter, teres, erectus, fistulofus, tener.

FOLIA latiuscula, tenera, lævia, carinata, vaginæ striatæ, ad basin rubræ præcipue in surculis.

PANICULA erecta, diffusa, laxa, racemi plures ex uno puncto, sæpe flexuosi.

SPICULÆ plerumque biflores, flosculo uno sessili, altero pedunculato, purpurei, apicibus albidis, fig. 1.

CALYX: GLUMA bivalvis, valvulis inæqualibus, pur-pureis, lævibus, Corolla multo brevioribus, fig. 2.

COROLLA: GLUMA bivalvis, valvulis æqualibus, fubtruncatis, plicatis five angulatis, fig. 3.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA tria capillaria, longitudine

Corollæ; Antheræflavæ, fig. 3.
PISTILLUM: Germen ovatum; Styli duo plumofi,

NECTARIUM GLUMULÆ duæ minimæ ad bafin Germinis, fig. 5. the Germen, fig. 5. SEMEN ovatum, intra Glumas arcte claufum, fig. 7. SEED oval, closely contained within the Glumes, fig. 7.

ROOT perennial.

STALK creeps at bottom, and fends out young shoots like the Flote Fescue grass, which run out to a considerable distance, and send down small white roots at the joints; it then becomes erect, grows to about a foot in height, is round, hollow, and tender.

LEAVES broadifh, tender, fmooth, carinated, the fheaths ftriated, red at bottom, particularly in the young fhoots.

PANICLE upright, fpreading, loofe; branches feveral, proceeding from one point, frequently

crooked.

SPICULÆ generally contain two flowers, one of which is teffile, and the other stands on a foot-stalk, purple, the tips white, fig. 1. CALYX: a GLUME of two valvess the valves unequal,

purple, smooth, and much shorter than the Corolla, fig. 2
COROLLA: a GLUME of two valves, the valves equal,

as if cut off at top, folded or angular, fig. 3.
STAMINA: three capillary Filaments the length of the Corolla; Antheræ yellow, fig. 3.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN oval; STYLES two and fea-

thery, fig. 4.

NECTARY two very minute Glumes at the bottom of

The fame foil and fituation which produces the Festuca fluitans, is productive also of this grass; they both grow in gently flowing streams, or in wet boggy meadows; this circumstance may serve among others to distinguish the Aira aquatica from some of the Poa's, with which at first sight the young botanist might easily consound it: it has however besides this, many other characters which point it out more obviously. The bottom of the stalk usually creeps on the ground, and when it gets into the water, it runs out like the Festuca fluitans to a considerable distance, throwing off roots and young shoots as it passes along, very much in the manner of that grass: the stalk grows about a foot or more in height, is hollow, and remarkably tender; the leaves are broader than any of the Poa's, except the Poa aquatica, which is in every respect a much stronger plant: but what more especially characterizes this grass, is the purple or blueish colour of the Panicles, which is discernible even at a distance; and the sweet taste of the slowers if drawn through the mouth, whence this grass has acquired the name of dulce. Its parts of fructification likewise above described, distinguish it very strongly: when dried and placed between papers, the flowers and seeds are very apt to fall off. are very apt to fall off.

It flowers in June and July, and may be found almost every where in the situations above-mentioned.

With respect to its uses in rural economy, it is in every respect inferior to the Flote session, consequently not worth cultivating for the use of cattle.

In a country like ours, where cultivation has made a confiderable progress, the water plants are confined to a small space compared to what they occupied in a state of nature; the draining of bogs and lakes has rendered many large tracts in several parts of the kingdom, capable of producing corn and grass adapted to the use of cattle, which were formerly inaccessible to man or beast. We ought not however to look on this or any other plant as made in vain, because we do not immediately see the uses they are applied to: several forts of water-sowl which abound in uninhabited countries, are expert gatherers of the seeds of the aquatic grass; and no less than five different species of Musici or Flies, were produced from a sew handfuls of the seeds of this grass, which when I gathered it, were doubtless in their Pupa or Chrysalis state: How little do we know of natures productions!

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Poa annua. Common dwarf Poa.

POA Linnæi Gen. Plant. TRIANDRIA DIGYNIA.

Raii Synop. Gen. 27. HERBÆ GRAMINIFOLIÆ FLORE IMPERFECTO CULMIFERÆ.

POA annua, panicula diffusa, angulis rectis, spiculis obtusis, culmo obliquo compresso. Lin. Syst. Vegetab. p. 97. Spec. Plant. ed. 3. p. 99. Fl. Suecic. p. 228.

POA culmo infracto, panicula triangulari, locustis trifloris glabris. Haller. bift. Vol. 2. p. 223.

GRAMEN pratense paniculatum minus. Baubin. Pin. p. 2

GRAMEN pratense minimum album et rubrum. Gerard. emac. 3. Parkinson. 1156.

GRAMEN pratense minus seu vulgatissimum. Raii Synop. 408. Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 34. Scopoli. Fl.

Carniol. 71. Stilling fleet. tab. 7

RADIX annua, fibrofiffima.

CULMI plures, cespitosi, semiprocumbentes, in pratis vero inter alias plantas crescentes, suberecti, paululum infracti, semipedales.

VAGINÆ compresse, ancipites, læves. FOLIA plurima, brevia, carinata, glabra, sæpe transversim rugosa, margine minutissime aculeata.

fig. 8.
PANICULA triangularis, fubcompressa, flores subse-

cundi.
PEDUNCULI universales ad basin paniculæ plerumque bini, altero breviore, in medio frequenter terni, apice vero folitarii; anguli nunc recti, nunc obliqui.

SPICULÆ ovato-acutæ, compressæ, utrinque acutæ trisloræ, quadrisloræ. fig. 2.
CALYX: GLUMA bivalvis, valvulis concavis, inæqua-

libus. fig. 1.
COROLLA bivalvis, valvulis villosis, margine membranaceis, albidis, una majore, concava, obtusi-uscula; alterà minore, angustiore. sig. 3.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA tria capillaria; ANTHERÆ

flavescentes, bifurcatæ. fig. 4.
PISTILLUM. GERMEN ovatum, Styli duo ramolissi-

mi, pellucidi. fig. 5. SEMEN ovatum, corolla adnascente tectum, ad basin villofulum. fig. 7.

ROOT annual and very fibrous. STALKS numerous, forming a turf, femiprocumbent, but in meadows when growing among other plants, nearly upright, a little crooked, and about half a foot high.

SHEATHS flat, two edged, and smooth.

LEAVES very numerous, short, keel-shaped, smooth, frequently wrinkled transversely, the edge very finely ferrated. fig. 8.

PANICLE of a triangular shape and flattish, the flowers

PANICLE of a triangular inape and naturn, the nowers growing mostly to one side.

PEDUNCLES: the universal peduncles generally proceed from the bottom of the panicle in pairs, one of which is shorter than the other, from the middle often by threes, and at top singly; forming angles fometimes flraight, fometimes oblique. SPICULÆ oval and pointed, flatish and sharp on both

fides, containing three and four flowers. fig. 2. CALYX: a Glume of two valves, the valves hollow

and unequal. fig. 1.

COROLLA of two valves, the valves villous, membranous and whitish at the edges, the one larger, hollow and bluntish, the other smaller and

narrower. fig. 3.

STAMINA: the FILAMENTS very minute, the ANTHERÆ yellowish and forked. fig. 4.

PISTILLUM: the GERMEN oval, two STYLES exceed-

ingly ramified and pellucid. fg. 5.
SEED oval, covered by the Corolla which adheres to it,

at bottom flightly villous. fig. 7.

THE laudable Society established in London for the encouragement of Manufactures, Arts, and Commerce, fensible of the improvements which might be made in Agriculture, from a more general introduction of the most useful English Grasses, have offered Premiums to such as shall give the best account of their cultivation, and the Poa Annua above described, is one of those they have selected, from its appearing to them to be one of the most useful.

Mr. Stillingsleet observes that it makes the finest turs, that he has seen in high Susfolk whole fields of it, without any mixture of other Grasses, and that as some of the best salt Butter we have in London comes from that County, he apprehends it to be the best Grass for the Dairy; from observing likewise, that this Grass flourished much more from being tradden on the concludes that frequent rolling must be very serviceable to it.

from being trodden on, he concludes that frequent rolling must be very ferviceable to it.

There is no Grass better entitled to Ray's epithet of Vulgatissium than this, as it occurs almost every where, in Meadows, Gardens, at the sides of Paths, and on Walls: when it grows in a very dry situation, it frequently doth not exceed three inches, but in rich meadows it often grows more than a foot in height. The panicle is frequently green, but in open fields it acquires a reddish tinge; it slowers all the Summer long, and even in Winter if the weather be mild.

It appears to be the first general covering which Nature has provided for a fruitful soil when it has been disturbed; for which reason, in Walks, Pavements, or Pitching, it may be considered as one of the most troublesome of Weeds; the most expeditious method of destroying it, would probably be by pouring boiling water on it.

All the Authors that have described this Grass call it an annual, it differs however very considerably from the other

annual Graffes, they throw up their Spikes or Panicles, produce their flowers and feeds, and then die away; this on the contrary keeps continually throwing out new floots, and producing new flowers, and feeds, and if the ground be moift, a fingle plant will remain growing in this manner throughout the year, fo that we generally find on the same plant, young shoots and ripe seeds.

"Hic ver assiduum atque alienis mensibus assas."

Perhaps this is the only vegetable we have that in this Circumstance imitates the Tropical plants.

Although its feed may be gathered the whole fummer long, yet about the latter end of May, it will be found in the greatest plenty: Experience must determine the best method, in which this Grass should be cultivated, whether by sowing its feed, or dividing and transplanting the Grass itself; as this feed would with more difficulty be procured in large quantities than that of many others, and as a single tust of this Grass may be divided into a vast number of young plants, probably transplanting it in wet weather would be the most eligible mode of cultivation.

These observations are submitted to the consideration of the Farmer and Gentlemen of landed property, who reside in the Country, and who have both leifure and opportunity to try experiments of this kind. Although the Authors

in the Country, and who have both leifure and opportunity to try experiments of this kind. Although the Authors province more particularly is to describe and figure these plants in such a manner as to make them as obvious as possible, yet he would be exceedingly happy to communicate to the public, any improvements which may be made in this or any other branch of Agriculture, that he may be favoured with.

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FESTUCA FLUITANS. FLOTE FESCUE GRASS.

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Raii Gen. 27. HERBÆ GRAMINIFOLIÆ FLORE IMPERFECTO CULMIFERÆ.

FESTUCA panicula ramosa erecta, spiculis subsessibles, teretibus muticis. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 102. Fl. Suecic. p. 32.

POA locustis teretibus multifloris, glumis floralibus exterioribus truncatis, interioribus bisidis. Haller. bist. p. 219. n. 1453. v. 2.

POA fluitans. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 73.

GRAMEN aquaticum fluitans, multiplici spica. Bauhin Pin. 2.

GRAMEN aquaticum cum longissima panicula. I. Baubin. II. 490. Raii Syn. p. 412. Flote-Grass.

GRAMEN fluviatile. Gerard emac. 14. Parkinson. 1275. Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 38. Oeder. Fl. Dan. t. 237. Schreber. Gram. tab. 3. Stilling fleet. mif. tab. 10.

RADIX perennis, in limum profunde penetrans. CULMUS pro ratione loci pedalis ad tripedalem, basi repens furculosque promens, dein subcrectus, vaginis foliorum ad paniculam usque amictus.

VAGINÆ foliorum compressæ, subancipites, striatæ.

FOLIA latiuscula, lævia; surculorum erecta, carinata, breviuscula, caulina longiora, planiuscula, flaccida, aquis tempore hyberno prostrata.

PANICULA longa, inclinata, nonnunquam fubspicata sepius vero ramosa, ramis nunc cauli adpressis nunc distantibus, ut pinxit Cl: Schreberus

SPICULÆ tenues, teretes, unciales aut fesquicunciales 9 ad 12 floræ, rachi adpressæ.

CALYX: GLUMA bivalvis, valvulis inæqualibus, mem-

branaceis. fig. 2.
COROLLA bivalvis, valvulæ longitudine æquales, calyce majores, inferiore majore, concava, lineata, nervis apice fæpe coloratis, apice membranacea, obtusiuscula, sæpius erosa; superiori lanceolata, compressa, bicuspidata. fig. 3. 4.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA tria capillaria, ANTHERÆ flavæ aut purpuralcentes, oblongæ, fig. 5.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN ovatum, STYLI duo fubulati,

reflexi, STIGMATA ramofiffima. fig. 7. 6. 8.

NECTARIUM Glandula fquamiformis, cordata, horizontalis, ad bafin germinis. fig. 9.

SEMEN oblongum, nitidum olivaceum, bicorniculatum, nudum. fig. 10. 11. FIG 12 Spicula morbo Ergot affecta.

ROOT perennial, striking deep into the mud.
STALK according to its place of growth from one to three feet in length, creeping at bottom and fending forth young shoots, afterwards nearly upright; covered with the sheaths of the leaves as far as the panicle.
SHEATHS of the leaves, flattened, two edged, and striated.

striated.

LEAVES rather broad and fmooth, those of the young shoots upright, keel-shaped, and shortish; those of the stalk longer, flattish, weak, and hanging down, in the winter feafon lying flat on the water.

PANICLE long, generally inclined or bending down a little, iometimes forming a kind of spike, but most commonly branched; the branches some-times pressed to the stalk, sometimes diverging

from it in the manner represented by Schreber. SPICULÆ slender, round, an inch or an inch and a half long, producing from 9 to 12 flowers, preffed to the Stalk.

CALYX: a GLUME of two valves, which are unequal

CALYX: a GLUME of two valves, which are unequal and membranous. fig.2.

COROLLA of two valves, which are of an equal length and bigger than the Calyx, the lower valve largeft, concave and nervous, the nerves towards the top frequently coloured, at top membranous, rather blunt with uneven points, the upper valve more pointed, flat and bifid. fig. 3.4.

STAMINA: three FILAMENTS very flender, ANTHERE oblong and yellow or purplifth. fig. 5.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN oval, STYLES two, tapering and bending back. STIGMATA very much branch-

bending back, STIGMATA very much branched. fig. 7. 6. 8.

NECTARY a small heart-shaped squamiform gland, placed horizontally at the bottom of the Germen. fig. 9.

Germen. fig. 9.

SEED oblong, shining, of an olive colour, with two little horns, and naked. fig. 10. 11.

FIG 12 a Spicula affected with the disease called Ergot.

IN speaking of the Bromus mollis, we had occasion to remark the very great variety of appearance to which the Grasses were subject from soil and situation, and this observation is equally applicable to the Festuca stutants. This Grass appears to thrive best in still waters, or gently running streams, where its numerous sibres penetrate easily into the mud; in such situations it becomes very luxuriant, the leaves are large, tender and sweet, and the Panicle becomes very much branched; but in Meadows where it is deprived of its natural quantity of water, it becomes in every respect less, and the Panicle is frequently changed to a simple spike; when it has nearly done slowering, the branches of the Panicle generally project from the main stalk so as to form an acute angle. In every situation whether the Panicle be large, or small, the Spiculæ are always pressed close to the stalk or branches of the Panicle, and this circumstance joined to the length, and roundness of the Spiculæ, sufficiently characterize this species; if it should not however, its parts of fructification afford at once a most pleasing and statisfactory distinction, vid. fig. 6. 9. 10. fatisfactory distinction, vid. fig. 6. 9. 10.

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We have often had the fingular pleafure of observing this Grass soon after being gathered, expand its Glames and expose its delicate yellow Stamina, and still more delicate Pistilla, and in this expanded state each Spicula puts on a very different face, and seems to invite the Student to its investigation, and would he wish to become acquainted with the structure of this useful tribe of plants, he cannot select one more proper for his purpose, as it may be found in almost every watery ditch, slowering from the beginning to the end of Summer, and has all the parts of fructification which are peculiar to the Grasses, large enough to be distinctly discerned even by the maked Eye, and so exposed as to be visible without the trouble of dissection.

Modern Botanists seem much divided whether they should consider this as a Poh or Féstuca, as it does not appear to us that we should in the least advance our favourite Science by altering its generic name, we have continued that of Linkwis, although we are by no means satisfied with his generic characters of the Grasses in general, and are persuaded that future observations and a more accurate attention to the minute parts of their fructification, will place those Genera in a much clearer point of view than has yet been done by any author.

Professor Office in his Frond Danied, and the celebrated Schribber in his Agrostographia, have both given a figure of this grass. As we have not seen it growing either in Denmark or Germany we cannot say that their figures do not express its particular mode of growth in those countries, but they do not convey to us its habit or manner of growing here; in both their figures the Paniele is represented quite upright, whereas with us it is always more or less inclined; this however is a matter of no great moment, a deviation from nature in the representation of the minute parts of the fructification is a matter of much greater consequence, and we are forry to find that Mr. Schribber whose knowledge and accuracy can seldom be called in question, has not been sufficiently attentive to all the parts which characterize this species. He has represented the Styles as branched or feathered quite down to the German, whereas they are evidently naked at bottom and much branched at top only; the singular Squamula or Scale at the base of the German he has properly noticed, but the two little Horns at the top of the seed, which are the remains of the Styles, and which in a peculiar manner distinguish this important seed, he does not remark. In the Flora Daniea the Styles are likewise feathered down to the German and the Squamula at the base of the German wholly omitted.

This Grass is found to be of confiderable importance in the economy of Nature.

The Phalana Festuce or Gold Spot Moth, to which Linneus with great propriety adds the epithet of pulcherrima, food. Fauna Succide. p. 311. Albin. pl. 8. lit. c. f. g. h.) is faid by him to feed on this particular Species; with us however it is always found on a different grass, viz. the Poa adultica or large water Poa; its history, with the particular manner of finding it we shall give under that grass.

From the observations of late writers, it appears that several forts of Cattle are remarkably fond of this grass, particularly Kine and Hogs, and that in the spring time they are frequently entired into bogs by endeavouring to get at its sweet young shoots, which appear earlier than those of most other Grasses.

"Professor Kalm in a journey through part of Sweden, observed the Swine to go a great way into the water after this grafs, the leaves of which, they eat with great eagerness; on this he was tempted to try if they would eat the fame grafs dried; he accordingly had small bundles of it gathered, dried, and cast before them; the consequence was they are it seemingly with as much appetite as horses do hay, hence he concludes that by cultivating this grass, we was tald swampy places might be rendered useful, and a great deal of corn, &cc. saved".

He who introduced the method of feeding hogs in fummer time on Clover, deferved very well of his country; and if the hay of this grafs would keep them in heart during the winter, it might prove a very valuable difcovery.

Mr. Kent in his bints to Gentlemen of landed property, lately published, considers this as a most valuable grass, and affures us (p. 34) it is to be improved above all others, and at a less expence, merely by flooding; (p. 54,) he informs us that flooding destroys all weeds, and enriches the land to a very high degree; (p. 56,) he says as rolling and pressure bring the annual meadow-grass, so flooding immediately begets the flote fescile. These affertions of Mr. Kent bespeak neither the Philosopher nor the accurately practical Farmer, they contain an exaggerated account of improving pasture land by a particular process, but show a great want of that minute attention which so important a subject required.

From a long refidence in Hampshire, we well know that the meadows in that county are considerably improved by flooding them, that is stopping the water when there happens to be an unusual quantity from violent or long continued rains, and by means of trenches or gripes, conveying the surplus water so as to overflow them entirely if possible; but we deny; that by this process all weeds are destroyed, the use of manure superseded, or that flote section is immediately begotten. Although it is a constant practice with the farmers to shood their meadows in the winter, it is no less a constant practice with such as wish to have good crops of grass to manure them with dung or ashes. Flooding can no otherwise destroy weeds than by altering the soil in which they grow, and if it destroys one set of weeds, it must certainly savour the growth of another: if those plants which throve best in a dry situation are destroyed by the alteration which now takes place in the soil, those which are fond of a moint situation will proportionably flourish. If the flote secure grass was immediately produced by slooding, we should find all those meadows which have undergone this operation to contain nothing but this kind of grass, whereas the richest and best meadows in Hampshire contain scarce a single blade of it: the fact is, this grass will not flourish in meadow land, unless you convert it into a kind of bog or swamp, and I believe sew landed Gentlemen will think this an improvement, or thank Mr. Kent for giving them such a hint.

"Mr. Stillingfleet informs us that Mr. Deane a very fenfible Farmer at Ruscomb, in Berkshire, affured him, that a field always lying under water of about four acres, that was occupied by his father when he was a boy, was covered with a kind of grass that maintained five farm-horses in good heart from April to the end of harvest without giving them any other food, and that it yielded more than they could eat. He at my defire brought me some of the grass, which proved to be the flote fescue with a mixture of marsh bent; whether this last contributes much towards furnishing so good pasture for horses I cannot say, they both throw but roots at the joints of the stalks and therefore likely to grow to a great length. In the index of dubious plants at the end of Ray's Synopsis, there is mention made of a grass under the name of Gramen caninum supinum longissimum growing not far from Salisbury twenty-four feet long; this must be its length be a grass with a creeping stalk: and that there is a grass in Wiltshire, growing in watery meadows, so valuable that an acre of it lets from ten to twelve pounds, I have been informed by several perfons. These circumstances incline the to think it must be the flote fescue; but whatsoever grass it be it certain by must deserve to be enquired after."

It may not be improper to add, that the account of the extraordinary long grafs above mentioned, was taken by RAY from the Phytographia Britannica, which mentions the particular foot where it grew, viz. at Mr. Tucker's, at Maddington, thine miles from Salisbury; it is also remarked that they fat Hogs with it.

As it is now above a century fince this enquiry was first made, is it not surprizing that no succeeding Botanic Writer should have acquired satisfactory information concerning it? I am promised specimens of the roots and feeds.

Upon the whole, from the observations which we ourselves have made on this Grass and from what is to be collected from Authors, it appears that if it be cultivated to any advantage it must be in such meadows as are naturally very wet and never drained.

The quickest and perhaps the best method of propagating it would be by transplanting the roots at a proper feason, and if the soil prove suitable, from the quickness of its growth, and its creeping Stalk, it would soon exclude most other plants, and produce a plentiful crop.

In foreign countries the feed of this Grass seems to be an object of more importance than the grass itself, the following is the substance of what Mr. Schreber has said concerning it, (vid. Beschreibung der Graser p. 40.) "The feed has a sweet and pleasant taste particularly before it comes to its full growth, whence the plant has acquired the name of Manna Grass. Ducks and other water-sowl feed on it with much eagerness (Linnæus has remarked that the Water-sowl are very well acquainted with the method of collecting these feeds) it has been observed likewise that Fish are fond of it, and that Trout in particular thrive in those rivers where this grass grows in plenty and sheds its feeds; but it is not only for Birds and Fish but also for Man a palatable and nutritious food, and has for many years past been known at Gentlemens tables under the name of Manna-Grout.

"The Manna Grass is of two kinds the one Panicum fanguinale or Cocks-foot Panic-Grass the other Festuca suitans "which we have now described; the former is cultivated in several parts of Germany, and its seed somewhat resembles to the contract of the con "bles that of Millet, the latter is collected in great abundance from the plant as it grows wild in Poland, Lithuania, the new Marche and about Franckfort and other places in Silesia as also in Denmark and Sweden and hence exported " to all parts.

"The common method they make use of to gather and prepare this seed in *Poland*, *Prussia*, and the *Marche* is as follows. At sun rise the seed is gathered or beat from the dewy grass into a horse-hair sieve, and when a tolerable quantity is collected, it is spread on a sheet and dried source days in the sun; it is then thrown into "a kind of wooden trough or mortar, straw or reeds laid betwen it, and beat gently with a wooden Pestle so as to take off the chass and then winnowed. After this it is again put into the mortar, in rows, with dried Marygold-strawers, Apple, and Hazel leaves, and pounded until the Husk is entirely separated and the seed appears bright, it is then winnowed again, and when it is by this last process made perfectly clean it is fit for use. The Mary-signed are added with a view to give the seeds a finer colour. The most proper time for collecting them is in July. A Bushel of the seed and chass, yields about two quarts of clean feed.

"When boiled with milk or wine they form an extremely palatable food, and are most commonly made use of whole in the manner of Sago to which they are in general preferred.

In the month of October last, I discovered in a watery ditch, which runs through a meadow not far from Kent-Street Road an uncommon appearance in some of the seeds of this grass, and on a farther examination, I sound whole Panicles the seeds of which were affected in a similar manner, instead of being of their natural size, and colour, they were enlarged to a very great degree, assumed externally a blackish colour, and were more or less incurvated. Struck with the novelty as well as oddity of the appearance I conjectured at first that it was a disease occasioned by some Insect, I examined it more attentively, but could not find the least cause to suppose that an Insect had been concerned in it. The surface of some of these seeds was rough, and chopped, they were light as to weight, interpolly of a whitish solour, inspect in their taste but, not disagreeable. Having a little before this been favoured with nally of a whitish colour, insiped in their taste but not disagreeable. Having a little before this been favoured with a fight of some horned Rie it now occurred to me that this was the same disease which had been said to affect the Rie only, and farther enquiry confirmed my conjecture.

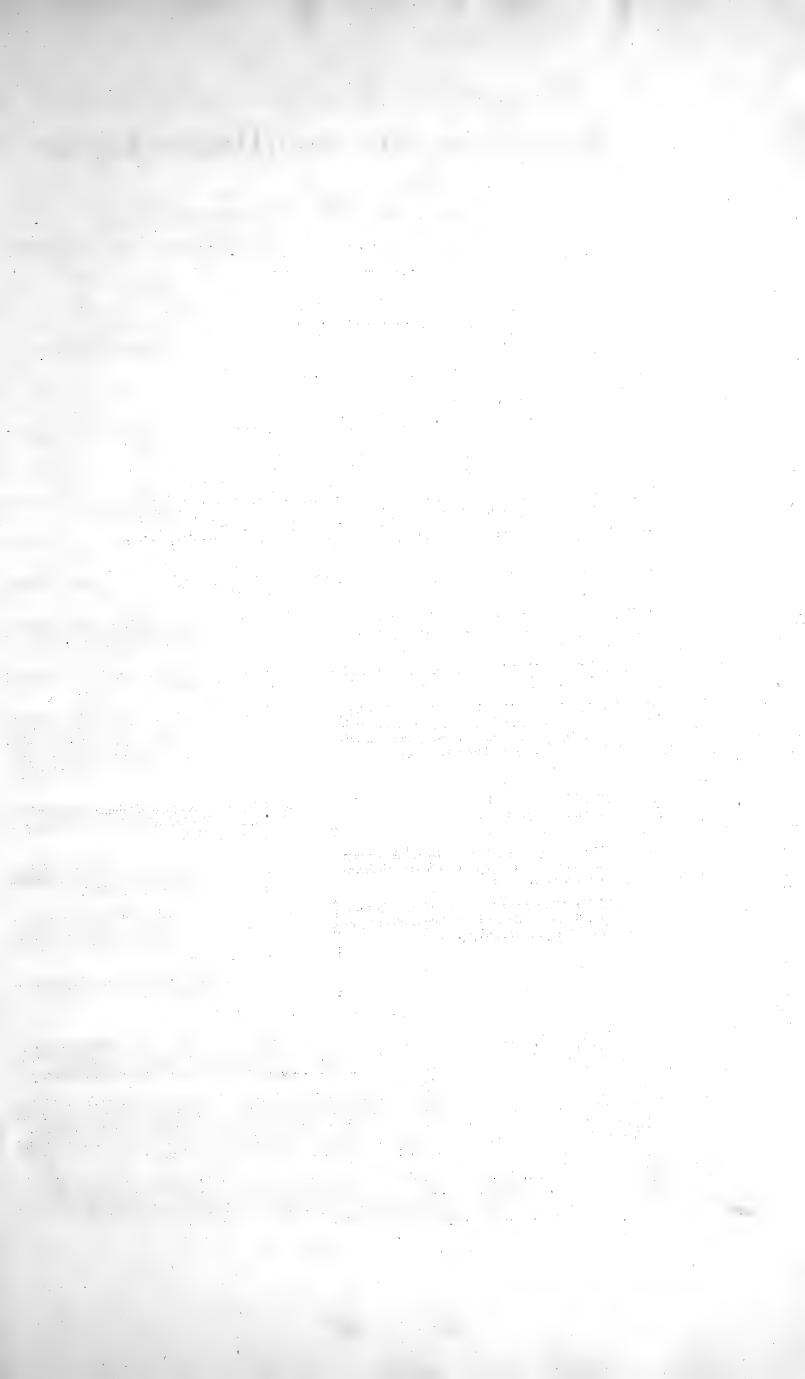
As this fingular difease of the Rie has first been noticed by the French, and as some very uncommon circumflances have attended it, it cannot fail of proving acceptable to our readers to lay before them the fubflance of what they have faid concerning it. In the Histoire de L'Academie royale des Sciences there is an account given of a particular species of Gangrene or Mortification which attacked many persons in some particular provinces of France.

1. It began generally at the toes and sometimes spread as high as the thigh. Out of fifty people there was but one that was attacked with this disease in the hands and what was equally remarkable there were no semales. " affected with it except fome little Girls.

- " It appears that this fingular malady attacked only the lower fort of people, and that too in years of fcarcity "that it proceeded from bad nourishment, and principally from eating bread made of a certain black and diseased corn called *Ergot*, from the grains assuming somewhat of the form of a Cocks Spur. vid. fig. 12.
 - "The manner in which this fingular monftrofity of the Corn is produced is thus related by Monfieur FAGON.
- "There are certain mists which prove injurious to the corn, and from which the greatest part of the Ears of the "Rie defend themselves by their beards. In those however which this hurtful humidity can strike and penetrate, it rots the skin which covers the grain, blackens it, and alters the substance of the grain itself, the juices which form the feed being no longer kept within their ordinary bounds by the skin, are carried hither in two great an abundance and amassing themselves irregularly form this monstrous appearance.
- "He observes that it is only in Rie that the Ergot is to be found, that the poor people do not separate this grain "from that which is good, that it was only in such particular seasons as favoured the growth of the Ergot that this disease was prevalent, that the country people after eating bread made of this bad corn perceived themselves as if drunk, and after this the mortification generally took place, that in some provinces were there was but little " of this Ergot this species of disease was not known,
- From the observations made by the Farmers of that country it appears that this bad species of grain is pro-"duced in the greatest abundance in such land as is wet and cold, and particularly in rainy scasons. " refused it when given them, nevertheless if by accident they had eaten it they did not appear to be hurt by it. When fown (as might be expected) it did not vegetate.

A kind of mortification very fimilar to the above described was observed in this Kingdom some years ago; it affected the same kind of people and on enquiry it was found that they had fared very hard, and that the bread which they had eaten was made of the tailings or screenings of Corn, but it was not ascertained whether it contained any of the Ergot or not.

From the infipid tafte of this corn, as well as from its not proving fatal to Poultry, it feems exceedingly probable that it is not in itself noxious, any otherwise than as it affords no nourishment; and that those people who have eaten of this corn, have in fact been abridged of a proportionate quantity of food, hence from an impoverished state of the sluids and a weak action of the vessels this species of Mortification might easily be induced.



Bromus mollis. Soft Brome Grass.

BROMUS Linnai Gen. Pl. TRIANDRIA DIGYNIA.

Raii Syn. Gen. 27. HERBÆ GRAMINIFOLIÆ FLORE IMPERFECTO CULMIFERÆ.

BROMUS mollis panicula erectiuscula, spiculis ovatis pubescentibus, aristis rectis, soliis mollissime villosis-Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 102. Sp. Pl. p. 112.

BROMUS hirfutus, locustis septissoris, ovato conicis. Haller hist. p. 1504.

BROMUS Polymorphus. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 80.

FESTUCA avenacea hirfuta, paniculis minus sparsis. Raii Synop. p. 413 Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 39. n. 1. Secalinus. Schreber. Gram. pl. 6. fig. 1.

RADIX biennis *

CULMUS pedalis ad tripedalem, erectus; GENICULI & STALK from one to three feet high, upright; the tumidi, cylindracei.

FOLIA cum vaginis pilis mollibus vestita.

SPICULÆ ovato-acutæ, turgidæ, fubcompressæ, plerumque villosæ, octofforæ, circa oras glumarum albidæ. fig. 1.

CALYX: Gluma bivalvis, valvulis inæqualibus, muti- CALYX: a Glume of two valves, the valves unequal without any beard, or arifta, fig. 2.

COROLLA: GLUMA bivalvis, valvula exteriore lata, concava, striata, aristata, fig. 4. interiore planiconcava, striata, aristata, fig. 4. interiore planiuscula, ciliata, lanceolata. fig. 3. ARISTA valvulis paulo longior, subrecta, fig. 4.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA tria capillaria, ANTHERE primum flavæ, oblongæ, dein fuscæ et bifurcatæ. fig. 7. 6. auct:

PISTILLUM: GERMEN ovatum, apice subemarginatum, fig. 8. STYLI duo, ad basin usque plumosi, ex uno latere germinis enati. fig. 9.

SEMEN oblongum, concavum, calyci adnatum fig. 10. SEED denudatum fig. 11.

* ROOT biennial *

JOINTS fwelled and cylindrical.

together with their SHEATHS covered with LEAVES foft hairs.

PANICULA erectiusculă, nunc coarctată nunc diffusa. PANICLE nearly upright, sometimes close, sometimes fpreading.

SPICULÆ oval and pointed, turgid, flattish, generally villous, containing eight flowers, whitish about the edges of the Glumes. fig. 1.

COROLLA: a GLUME of two valves, the outermost valve broad, hollow, striated, and bearded, fig. 4; the innermost flattish, ciliated or hairy at the edges and pointed, fig. 3; the Arista a little longer than the valves and nearly straight, fig. 4.

NECTARIUM: Glumula bipartita, ad basin petali in-terioris, fig. 5, parum auct:

NECTARIUM: a small kind of Glume deeply divided, placed at the base of the inner petal, fig. 5. a little magnified.

STAMINA: three FILAMENTS very fmall, ANTHERÆ first yellow and oblong, lastly brown and forked at each end, fig. 7. 6. magnified.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN oval, with a flight depression at top, fig. 8. two STYLES feathery quite down to the bottom, proceeding from one side of the Germen, fig. 9.

oblong, concave, adhering to the Calyx fig: 10. the Calyx taken off, fig: 11.

OUR Farmers in general are not very warm in their recommendations of this Grafs, nevertheless it abounds in most of our best meadows; it springs up early, and ripens its seed generally about the time of Hay-making. The seed is large, and each panicle contains nearly as much as that of a common Oat, indeed it seems to have more pre-

leed is large, and each panicle contains nearly as much as that of a common Oat, indeed it feems to have more pretentions to the the name of Corn than of Grafs.

Although Cattle may not be fo fond of the leaves, and panicle of this Grafs while green as of some others, yet may it not (when cut down as it usually is when the feed is nearly ripe) contribute to render the hay more nutritive? and hence may it not be a proper Grafs to sow with others. It seems at least to deserve the attention of the Farmer.

There is perhaps no class of plants more affected by difference of soil and situation than the Graffes, hence the same plant has often been divided into several species; and to such Varieties is the present Plant incident, as to occasion Scopoli to give it the name of Polymorphus.

When it grows on a Wall, or dry Bank, the Spiculæ are generally more upright, and closer together; when the soil is rich and moist, the Spiculæ spread out, and the whole plant becomes much larger; in Meadows the Spiculæ frequently lose their villous appearance and become perfectly smooth. To determine this species then with more certainty, recourse must be had to the parts of fructification.









BARREN BROME GRASS. BROMUS STERILIS.

BROMUS Linnæi. Gen. Pl. TRIANDRIA DIGYNIA.

Raii Gen. 27. HERBÆ GRAMINIFOLIÆ, FLORE IMPERFECTO CULMIFERÆ.

BROMUS sterilis, panicula patula, spiculis oblongis distichis, glumis subulato-aristatis. Lin. Syst. Vegetab. p. 103.

BROMUS panicula nutante; locustis septisloris; glumis argute lanceolatis, lineatis, subhirsutis. Haller. hift. n. 1505.

FESTUCA avenacea sterilis elatior. Bauhin. pin. 9. 10.

BROMOS herba, five avena sterilis. Parkinson, 1147. Bromos sterilis. Gerard. emac. Raii Synop. p. 412. Great wild Oat-Grass or Drank. Hudson, Fl. Angl. p. 40. Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. p. 78.

RADIX fibrofa.

lanceolatis, fig. 2.

COROLLA: bivalvis, Valvulis inæqualibus, exteriore COROLLA: composed of two Valves, which are inelongiore, concava, striata, apice membranacea, bisida, Arista recta Corollà duplo longiore terminata, fig. 3. Valvula interiore planiuícula,

flavæ, fig. 5.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN oblongum, apice truncatum five emarginatum, pars inferior ex quâ styli prodeunt et quod verum Germen esse videtur, nitida, fig 7. pars superior albida, villosa, fig. 8. STYLI duo plumofi, patuli, fig. 9.

SEMEN ex purpureo-fuscum, oblongum, aristatum, calyce tectum, fig. 10, denudatum, fig. 11.

ROOT fibrous.

CULMI pedales ad bipedales, fuberecti, teretes, læves, STALKS from one to two feet high, nearly upright, ad basin infracti; Geniculi tumidi.

FOLIA longa, plana, una cum vaginis mollissime villosa.

PANICULA magna, nutans; PEDUNCULI plerumoue PANICUE Flagge and described PANICUE Flagge PANICUE Flagge PANICUE Flagge PANICUE Flagge PANICUE Flagge PANICUE Flagge

PANICULA magna, nutans; PEDUNCULI plerumque PANICLE large, and drooping, the PEDUNCLES genefimplices, ad basin tumidi.

SPICULÆ biunciales, subcompressæ, apice divergentes, SPICULÆ about two inches long, statish and divergentes.

fig. 1.

CALYX: Gluma bivalvis, Valvulis inæqualibus lineari
CALYX: a Glume of two Valves, the valves inequal,

qual, the exterior Valve longest, concave, striated, at top membranous and bifid, terminated by a straight Arista twice the length of the Corolla, fig. 4.

NECTARIUM: Glumulæ duæ acuminatæ, ad bafin biglandulofæ, fig. 6.

STAMINA: Filamenta tria, capillaria, Antheræ STAMINA: three fmall Filaments: the Antheræ

yellow, fig. 5.
PISTILLUM: the GERMEN oblong, at top flat or flightly emarginate, the bottom part from whence the Styles proceed, and which feems to be the true Germen, is fmooth and fhining, fig. 7. the upper part white and villous, fig. 8. two STYLES, feathery and spreading, fig. 9.

SEED of a purplish brown colour, oblong, bearded, enclosed within the Calyx, fig. 10. the Calyx

stripped off, fig. 11.

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Much praile is due to the late ingenious Mr. Stillingfleet for his attempts to introduce, more generally among that mers, a knowledge of our most useful English Grasses: his observations on this subject are so exceedingly pertinent that the insertion of them cannot fail to prove highly acceptable to such as have the promotion of Agriculture at heart.

"It is wonderfull to see how long mankind has neglected to make a proper advantage of plants of such importance, and which in almost every country are the chief food of cattle. The farmer for want of distinguishing, and selecting grasses for feed, fills his pasture either with weeds, or bad, or improper grasses; when by making a right choice, after some trials he might be sure of the best grass, and in the greatest abundance that his land admits of. At present is a farmer wants to lay down his land to grass, what does he do? he either takes his seeds indiscriminately from this own foul hay-rick, or sends to his next neighbour for a supply. By this means, besides a certain mixture of all for strots of rubbish, which must necessarily happen; if he chances to have a large proportion of good feeds, it is not unlikely, but that what he intends for dry land may come from mosift, where it grows naturally, and the contrary. This is such a flovenly method of proceeding, as one would think could not possibly prevail universally; yet this is the case as to all grasses except the darnel grass, and what is known in some few countries by the name of the Suffolk grass; and this latter instance is owing, I believe, more to the foil than any care of the husbandman. Now would the farmer be at the pains of separating once in his life half a pint, or a pint of the different kinds of grass feeds, and take care to sow them separately; in a very little time he would have wherewithal to sock his farm properly, according to the nature of each soil, and might at the same time spread these feeds separately over the nation by supplying the feed-shops. The number of grasses fit of the farmer "and fatten upon it faster, than on any other in Sweden, if we may give credit to Linnæus. And may they not do the same in England? How shall we know till we have tried? Nor can we say that what is valuable in Sweden "may be inferior to many other graffes in England; fince it appears by the Flora Suecica that they have all the good ones that we have. But however this may be I should rather chuse to make experiments, than conjectures." The present Grafs is not one of those which are worth the Farmer's cultivation, but so much the reverse, that

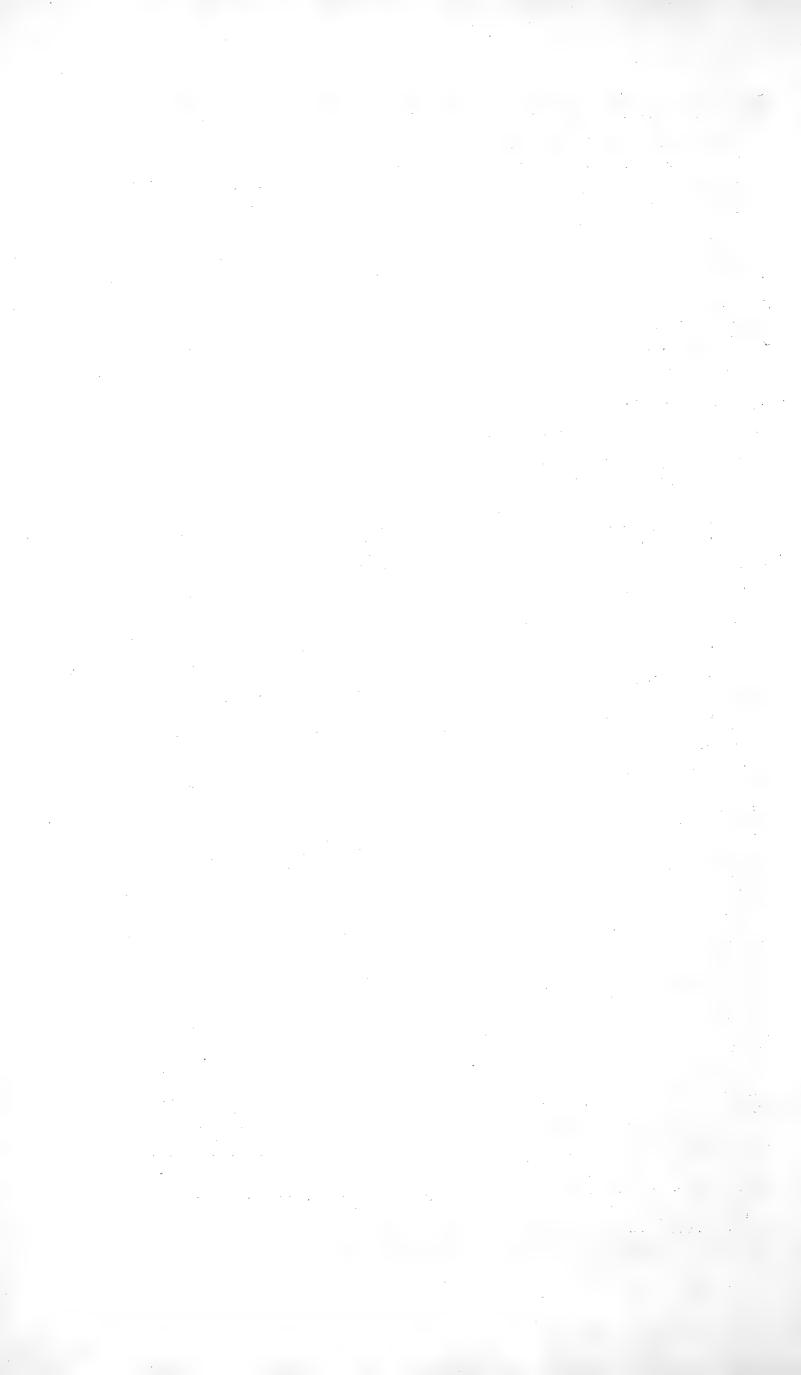
most Authors have called it sterilis, not because it is really barren but from its inutility with respect to Cattle.

It grows exceeding common under hedges and flowers in May and June.

In order to have a clear idea of the structure of the parts of fructification in the Grasses, they should be examined just at the time, or rather before the Anther a have discharged their Pollen, a small space of time makes a considerable

alteration in their appearance.

In this species of Bromus as well as in the Bromus mollis the Styles proceed from the middle of the Germen and not from the top, this is a peculiarity which feems to have escaped the notice of Schreber who has written professedly on the Grasses, and examined them with more accuracy than any preceding Writer. In his figures the Styles proceed always from the Apex of the Germen.







DIPSACUS PILOSUS. SMALL WILD TEASEL OR SHEPHERD'S

RoD.

DIPSACUS Linnæi Gen. Pl. Tetrandria Monogynia.

Calyx communis polyphyllus; proprius fuperus. Receptaculum paleaceum.

Raii Syn. p. 191. HERBÆ CORYMBIFERIS AFFINES.

DIPSACUS pilosus foliis petiolatis appendiculatis. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. p. 120. Spec. Plant. 141.

DIPSACUS foliis biauribus, capitulis hemisphæricis. Haller. bist. helv. No. 199.

DIPSACUS fylvestris capitulo minore vel virga pastoris minor. Baubin Pin. p. 385.

DIPSACUS minor seu Virga pastoris. Ger. emac. 1168.

VIRGA PASTORIS. Parkinson 984. Raii Synop. p. 192. Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 49.

RADIX biennis.

CAULIS orgyalis, erectus, ramolishimus, pene teres, aculeatus, fulcatus.

RAMI oppositi, patentes, cauli similes.

FOLIA ad basin CAULIS, connata, ovato-lanceolata, ferrata, nervo medio fubtus aculeato, indivisa, suprema appendiculata; RAMORUM; ima appendiculata, ferrata, suprema margine integerrima, lanceolata.

PEDUNCULI erecti, longi, ex dichotomià caulis, fulcati, aculeati, apice fpinofiffimi, uniflori.

FLORES albidi, in capitulum hemisphæricum collecti, dum florent nutantes, postea capitula eriguntur.

CALYX: Perianthium commune multiflorum, hexaphyllum, foliolis longitudine florum, patentibus, lanceolatis, mucronatis, fig. 1: Perianthium proprium parvum, fuperum, concavum, ciliatum, fig. 5. lente auctum.

COROLLA propria monopetala, tubulofa, limbo qudri-fido, lacinià inferiore longiore, fig. 3.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quatuor Corollà longiora; Antheræ purpureæ, fig. 3.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN inferum, tetragonum; STYLUS filiformis, longitudine Corollæ; STIGMA fimplex, fig. 6.

PERICARPIUM nullum.

SEMINA fusca, subtetragona. fig. 4.

RECEPTACULUM commune hemisphæricum, paleaceum, pars inferior palearum concava, alba, carinata, superior lanceolata, acuminata, spinulis obsita. fig. 2,

* ROOT biennial.

STALK about fix feet high, upright, very much branched, nearly round, prickly and grooved.

BRANCHES opposite, spreading, like the stalk.

LEAVES at the bottom of the STALK connate, ovatolanceolate, ferrated, the midrib prickly underneath, undivided, those at the top dividing at the base into two smaller leaves; the leaves on the branches at bottom similar to those last described, at top lanceolate, with the edges entire.

FOOT-STALKS of the flowers, upright, long, proceeding from the middle where the stalks separate, grooved, prickly, at top very full of slender spines, supporting one flower.

FLOWERS whitish, collected together in a small hemispherical head, which, while the plant is in slower, droops, and afterwards becomes upright.

CALYX: the common Perianthium supporting many flowers, composed of fix leaves, the length of the flowers, spreading, lanceolate and pointed, fig. i. The Perianthium of each floscule small, placed above the Germen, hollow, and ciliated, fig. 5, magnified.

COROLLA: each floscule monopetalous, tubular, the limb quadrifid, the lowermost segment longest,

STAMINA: four FILAMENTS, longer than the Corolla;
ANTHERÆ purple, fig. 3.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN placed below the Calyx, quadrangular; the Style filiform, the length of Corolla; the Stigma fimple, fig. 6.

SEED-VESSEL wanting.

SEEDS brown, nearly quadrangular.

RECEPTACLE common to all the flowers paleaceous; the lower part of the paleæ hollow, white, and angular behind; the upper part lanceolate, tapering to a point, and befet with little spines or hairs, fig. 2.

THIS species of Teafel may be considered as one of our Plantæ rariores; hitherto I have found it only in one place near town, viz. on the right hand side of the Turnpike-road leading from Deptford to Lewisham, not far from the latter: as it grows to a considerable height, it is conspicuous at a distance: the flowers appear in July, and the feed is ripe in September: it continues to blow for a considerable time, and did not the plant take up so much room, there is beauty enough in its flowers to recommend it for the Garden. Moths seem very fond of its blossoms, being sound on them in great numbers after sun-set.



HOTTONIA PALUSTRIS. WATER HOTTONIA, OR WATER VIOLET.

HOTTONIA Lin. Gen. Pl. PENTANDRIA MONOGYNIA.

Raii Syn. Gen. 18. Herbæ fructu sicco singulari, flore monopetalo.

HOTTONIA paluftris, pedunculis verticillato-multifloris. Lin. Syft. Vegetab. 164.

HOTTONIA florum verticillis spicatis. Haller. hift. n. 632.

MILLEFOLIUM aquaticum seu Viola aquatica, caule nudo. Bauhin. pin. 141. Parkinson, 1256.

VIOLA palustris. Gerard. emac. 826. Raii Syn. p. 285. Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 72. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. n. 213. Fl. Dan. icon. 487.

- RADIX e plurimis fibrillis capillaceis albis constat, quæ ROOT consists of numerous white capillary fibres, which in limum profunde dimittuntur.

- planus: LACINIIS ovato-oblongis, emarginatis,
- STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque, fubulata, brevia, STAMINA: five FILAMENTS tapering, fhort, and uperecta. Antheræ oblongæ, flavæ. fig. 3. erecta. Anther & oblong &, flav &. fig. 3.
- PISTILLUM: GERMEN fubglobofum. STYLUS filifor- PISTILLUM: GERMEN roundish, STYLE thread-shaped mis, brevis. STIGMA globofum, fig. 4.
- pellucida, fig. 5.
- taculo globoso intra capsulam affixa, fig. 6.

- penetrate deep into the mud.
- CAULIS five Scapus floriferus, pedalis, fimplex, erectus, multiflorus, versus apicem glandulis scabriuscublus, ad basin foliis plurimis instructus, unde per aquam longe excurrunt caules plures qui fibrillas dimittunt.

 STALK or flowering Scapus, a foot high, simple, upright, suffaining many flowers, towards the top roughish with little glands, furnished at bottom with numerous leaves, from whence several stalks proceed and run out to a confiderable length through the water throwing out numerous white fibres.
- FOLIA plurima, plerumque immerfa, pinnata, in api- LEAVES numerous, generally under the water, pincibus caulium juniorum denfa, reflexa, Pinnis in nated, growing in tufts on the tops of the linearibus planis. linear and flat.
- FLORES pallide purpurei, verticillati, spicati, Pedunculi FLOWERS of a pale purple colour, growing in whirls, ad. 10, Bractæâ, ad basin instructi, post florest and forming a spike. Peduncles to 10 in number, furnished at bottom with a Bractæa, when the flowers are gone off turning downwards.
- CALYX: Perianthium monophyllum, quinquepar- CALYX: a Perianthium of one leaf, divided into five titum: Laciniis linearibus, erecto-patulis, fig. 1. SEGMENTS, which are linear, upright and somewhat fpreading, fig. 1.
- COROLLA: monopetala, hypocrateriformis, TUBUS COROLLA: monopetalous and falver-shaped, the TUBE longitudine calycis, LIMBUS quinquesidus, the length of the calyx; the LIMB divided the length of the calyx; the LIMB divided into five fegments and flat; the SEGMENTS of an oval oblong shape with a notch at the extremity, fig. 2.

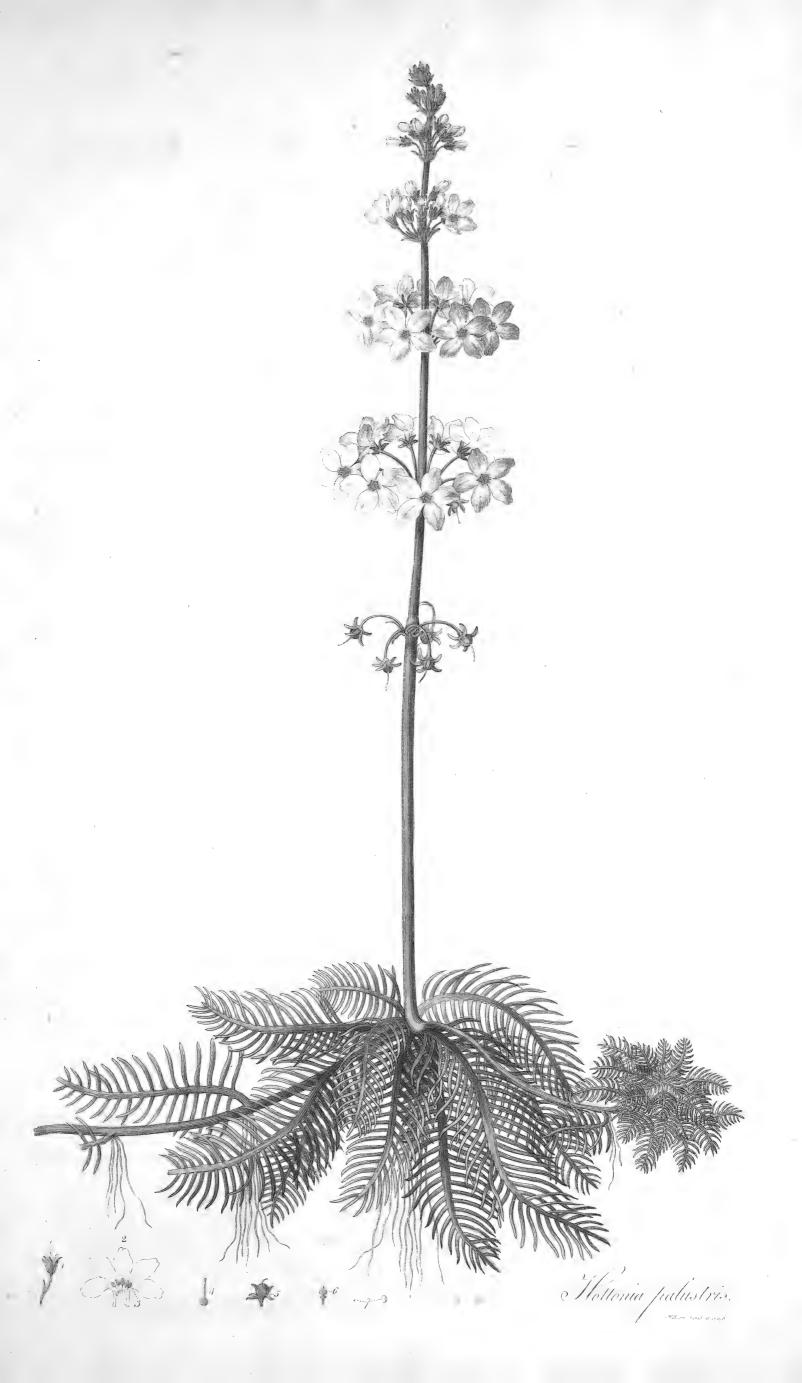
 - and fhort, STIGMA spherical, fig. 4.
- PERICARPIUM: Capsula globofa, unilocularis, fub- SEED-VESSEL: a round Capsule of one cavity, flightly transparent, fig. 5.
- SEMINA plurima, ovata, pallide fusca, fig. 7. recep- SEEDS numerous, oval, of a pale brown colour, fig. 7: affixed to a round receptacle within the capfule, fig. 6.

This fingular plant abounds in most of our watry Ditches, particularly in such as divide the Meadows, and flowers in May and June, continuing for a considerable time in blossom; among a variety of other places it may be found in a ditch on the right hand side of the Field Way leading from Kent-street Road to Peckham.

We do not find any author that mentions its possessing any properties to recommend it but its beauty and singularity, both of which it possesses in a degree sufficient to command our admiration.

The leaves generally grow beneath the furface of the water and afford a Nidus if not Nourishment to the fresh-water Periwinkle and fome other small shell fish.

Antient Botanists have given it the names of Millefolium aquaticum, and Viola aquatica; the great number of its leaves induced them, with some propriety, to call it Millefolium, but why they should call it a Viola seems difficult to determine, as the blossom has nothing in its structure similar to the flowers of that Genus. Boerhave afterwards called it Hottonia, in honour of Dr. Hotton, which name Linnæus has continued.







Anagallis arvensis. Pimpernel.

ANAGALLIS Linnæi. Gen. Plant. PENTANDRIA MONOGYNIA.

Raii. Syn. Gen. 18. HERBÆ FRUCTU SICCO SINGULARI, FLORE MONOPETALO.

ANAGALLIS foliis indivisis caule procumbente. Lin. Spec. Plant. 211.

ANAGALLIS phœniceo flore. Bauhin. Pin. 252.

ANAGALLIS mas. Fuschii. 18. Gerard. emac. 617. Parkinson. 558. Oeder. Flor. Dan. tab. 88.

Raii. Syn. 282. Hudson. 73. Haller. Hist. 621. 626. Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. 139.

RADIX fimplex, fibrofa, annua.

CAULIS ramofus, proftratus, quadrangularis, lævis, fubtortuofus, fig. 1.

FOLIA opposita, sessilia, cordata, glabra, subtus punctis fuscis notata.

PEDUNCULI oppositi, foliis fere duplo longiores, inflexi.

CALYX perfistens, quinquepartitus, segmentis triangularibus, alatis, membranaceis, sig. 2.

COROLLA monopetala, quinquepartita, laciniis rotundis, coccineis, ad bafin purpureis, margine crenatis, fubpilofis, fig. 3, 4.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque, erecta, pilofissima, (pili articulati!) superne purpurea: Antheræ oblongæ, biloculares, flavæ, insidentes, fig. 5, 6.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN rotundum: STYLUS filiformis, obliquus, longitudine filamentorum: STIGMA fubrotundum, extra circulum flaminum locatum, fig. 7.

PERICARPIUM: Capsula rotunda, nitida, quinquenervis, fubdiaphana, circumciffa, fufca, fig. 8.

SEMINA plurima, angulofa, fusca, fig. 9.

ROOT fimple, fibrous, and annual.

STALK branched, procumbent, quadrangular, fmooth, and a little twifted, fig. 1.

LEAVES opposite, seffile, heart-shaped, smooth, underneath dotted with brown.

PEDUNCLES opposite, nearly twice the length of the leaves, bending downwards.

CALYX perfifting, divided into five fegments, the fegments triangular, and membranous at the edges, fig. 2.

COROLLA monopetalous, quinquepartite, the laciniæ fcarlet, purplish at bottom, the edges slightly notched, and hairy, fig. 3, 4.

STAMINA: five FILAMENTS, upright, and very hairy, (the hairs, when magnified, jointed!) at top purplish: the ANTHERÆ oblong, bilocular, yellow, and fitting on the filaments, fig. 5, 6.

PISTILLUM: the GERMEN round: the STYLE filliform, the length of the filaments: the STIGMA roundish, placed without the circle of the Stamina, fig. 7.

SEED-VESSEL, a Capsule, round, fhining, brown, flightly transparent, having five nerves, dividing transversly into two equal parts, fig. 8.

SEEDS numerous, brown, and angular, fig. 9.

NATURE feems to have taken uncommon pains in the formation of the flowers of this little plant; few poffefs more liveliness of colour, or greater delicacy of structure; this must be sufficiently obvious to every common obferver; but when its minute parts come to be viewed by the microscope, we are charmed with beauties altogether novel and unexpected; we then find that the edges of the flowers, which to the naked eye appear a little uneven or hairy, are furnished with a number of little glands, placed on foot-stalks; and that the hairs of the filaments, which partly tend to distinguish this genus, are regularly jointed: the pistillum, which generally rises upright betwixt the stamina, is here inclined to one side, so that the stigma is placed without the circle of the stamina. The care which nature has taken likewise in the preservation of these delicate parts from the injury of the weather, is not less remarkable. Every morning, if the weather be fair and warm, the blossoms fully expand; but if rain falls, or there be much moisture in the air, the flowers quickly close themselves up, to secure the inclosed antheræ and stigma, from having their functions destroyed. From this property, which it has in common with many plants of the same class, it has acquired the name of the Shepherd's, or Poor Man's Weather-glass—They have remarked, that if the slowers be open in a morning, it will prove a fine day, if shut, the contrary.

The small Birds (Passers Linnæi.) are fond of the seeds of this plant: and according to experiments made by some of Linnæus's pupils, it appears that Kine and Goats feed on it.

It is very common in gardens and corn-fields, flowering all the Summer.

A variety with four leaves at a joint, fometimes occurs in a rich foil; but as it differs in no other part, and is a mere variety, it fearcely deferves a diffinct figure. It is also found with blue, and fometimes with white flowers: but we have not observed either of these varieties near London.



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Convolvulus Sepium. Large white Convolvulus OR GREAT BINDWEED.

CONVOLVULUS Linnæi. Gen. Pl. PENTANDRIA MONOGYNIA.

Raii Syn. Gen. 18. HERBÆ FRUCTU SICCO SINGULARI FLORE MONOPETALO.

CONVOLVULUS (sepium) foliis fagittatis, postice truncatis, pedunculis tetragonis, unifloris. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. p. 168. Fl. Suecic. p. 64.

CONVOLVULUS foliis fagittatis, hamis emarginatis, angulofis, petiolis unifloris, stipulis cordatis maximis. Haller. bift. V. 1. p. 295.

CONVOLVULUS Major albus. Bauhin. pin. 294.

SMILAX lævis major. Gerard emac. 861. Parkinson. 163. Raii Syn. p. 275. Great Bindweed. Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 74. Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. 141. Fl. Dan. icon. 458.

RADIX perennis, craffitie pennæ anserinæ, alba, sub ROOT perennial, about the thickness of a goose quill, terra reptans et late se propagans, vix eradicanda, Hortorum pestis.

CAULES numerofi, volubiles, tortuofi, ftriati, orgyales, fubramofi.

RAMI pauci, alterni, cauli fimiles.

STALKS numerous, twining, twifted, ftriated, generally about fix feet high and fomewhat branched.

BRANCHES few, alternate, like the Stalk.

RAMI pauci, alterni, cauli fimiles.

FOLIA alterna, fagittata, postice truncata, glabra, petiolata.

PEDUNCULI uniflori, alterni, tetragoni.

CALYX INVOLUCRUM biphyllum, foliolis oblongo-cordatis, subcarinatis, venosis, purpurascentibus.

fig. 2.
CALYX PERIANTHIUM pentaphyllum, tubulofum, foliolis ovato-lanceolatis, pallide virentibus. fig. 1.

lato, obscure diviso, paululum reflexo.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque, fundo corollæ inferta, hirfutula, alba, fubulata; ANTHERÆ fagittatæ, albæ, infidentes. fig. 3.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN fubovatum; STYLUS fubulatus apice tortuoius; STIGMA bifidum. fig. 4. 5. NECTARIUM: Glandula crocea annuliformis ad basin

Germinis. PERICARPIUM: CAPSULA subrotunda, fuliginosa, \$ SEED-VESSEL a roundish CAPSULE of a sooty colour

tis. fig. 8. 9.

of a white colour, creeping under the ground and propagating itself exceedingly, rooted out with the greatest difficulty, and hence very troublesome in Gardens.

LEAVES alternate, arrow-shaped, apparently cut off behind, smooth, and placed on foot-stalks.

FOOT-STALKS of the flowers, alternate, supporting

one flower only, and four square.

CALYX an Involucrum composed of two heart-shaped

leaves, flightly keel-shaped, veiny, and purplish. fig. 2.

CALYX a Perianthium, composed of five leaves and

tubular, the leaves of an oval pointed shape and

pale green colour. fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetala, infundibuliformis, lactea, limbo lato, obscure diviso, paululum reflexo.

COROLLA monopetalous, funnel shaped, of a white colour, the limb broad, obscurely divided, and turned back a little.

STAMINA: five FILAMENTS inferted into the bottom of the corolla, flightly hairy, white and tapering, the ANTHER & arrow shaped, white, and fitting on the filaments. fig: 3.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN formewhat oval, STYLE taper-

ing, twisted at top; the STIGMA bisid. fg. 4.5. NECTARY a yellow gland surrounding the base of the

Germen.

mucronata fig. 6. 7.

SEMINA angular, fuica, Cotyledonibus mire convolu
SEEDS angular and brown, the Cotyledons folded up

in a very fingular manner. fig. 8. 9.

The plant which produces the Scammony is a species of Convolvulus, very similar to that which we have now described, hence Dr. Cullen and some other Physicians have conjectured that our Convolvulus might possess similar properties, but if it should be found to contain such properties, the smallness of it roots would prevent its juice from being collected in the same manner with that which slows on incision from the large root of the Scammony plant, and which hardens and forms that purgative substance. Whether an extract made from the expressed juice of the roots, or any other preparation of them might possess a purgative property, or if it should, whether such a purgative would be so far superior to any now in general use as to introduce it deservedly into practice, is what we cannot pretend to decide on. Hogs are said to eat and even to be fond of the roots.

or the roots.

It grows exceedingly common in our hedges, and flowers in August and September. Where it has once gained ground it is with the greatest difficulty eradicated: was it not for this property and its being so common, it would doubtless be considered, as it really is, a very ornamental plant.

My ingenious Friend Mr. Church, Surgeon, at Islington, (who has taken much pains to collect and acquire a knowledge of our English Insects) informs me that the Caterpillar of the Phalana Vibicaria or Bloody vein Moth, (vid. Clerc. Phalan. pl. 3. sig. 2.) feeds on this plant, and the Sphina Convolvuli or Unicorn Hawk Moth, (vid. Roefel. Cl. 1. pap. nost. t. 7.) is well known to take its name from feeding on this plant also.









SOLANUM DULCAMARA. WOODY NIGHTSHADE.

SOLANUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. PENTANDRIA MONOGYNIA.

Raii Syn. Gen. 16. HERBÆ BACCIFERÆ.

SOLANUM Dulcamara caule inermi frutescente flexuoso, foliis superioribus hastatis, racemis cymosis.

Linn. Sp. Pl. p. 264.

SOLANUM Scandens seu Dulcamara, Bauhin. Pin. p. 176. Amara Dulcis, Gerard. emac. p. 350.

Solanum lignosum, Parkinson. p. 350. Raii Synopsis. p. 265. Hudson. Flor. Angl. p. 78.

Scopoli Flor. Carniol. p. 161. Haller. Hist. Plant. Helv. p. 248.

RADIX perennis.

CAULIS fruticosus, scandens, fistulosus, ramosus, tuberculis parvis subasper, leniter angulosus, orgyalis et ultra.

RAMI alterni, juniores purpurei.

FOLIA petiolata, mollia, venosa, in caulem subdecurrentia, *inferiora* ovata-lanceolata, integerrima; superiora trilobo-hastata.

FLORES in CYMAS racemosas dispositi; pedunculi florales ad basin bulbosi, aut ex acetabulo quasi prodeuntes.

CALYX: Perianthium monophyllum, parvum, qninquefidum, purpureum, fegmentis obtufiusculis, persistens, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetala, rotata: Tubus breviffimus;
Limbus quinquepartitus, Laciniis lanceolatis, purpureis, reflexis; Faux nigra, nitida, ad basin singulæ laciniæ maculæ duæ, virides, fig. 3, 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque, brevissima, tubo Corollæ inserta, nigro purpurea. Antheræ quinque, slavæ, erecæ, in tubum subconicum coalitæ, apicibus bisoraminosis, fig. 4, 5.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN pyriforme: STYLUS fubulatus, Staminibus paulo longior: STIGMA fimplex, obtufum, fig. 6.

PERICARPIUM: BACCA ovata, coccinea, glabra, bilocularis, receptaculo utrinque convexo, cui femina adnectuntur, fig. 8.

SEMINA plures, lutescentia, compressa, subrenisormia, pulpo odoris ingrati obtecta, fig. 9.

ROOT perennial.

STALK woody, climbing, hollow, branched, thinly befet with small pointed tubercles, slightly angular, and growing to the hight of six feet, or more.

BRANCHES alternate, the younger ones purple.

LEAVES standing on foot-stalks, of an oval pointed shape, soft, veiny, running slightly down the stalk, the lower ones entire, the upper ones halbert shaped.

FLOWERS growing in branched Cymæ, the proper peduncles of the flowers bulbous at their base, or growing out of a kind of socket.

CALYX, a Perianthium of one leaf, finall, and purple, divided into five fegments, the fegments bluntifh, perfifting, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetalous, wheel-shaped; the Tube very short; the Limb divided into five segments, the segments lancet-shaped, purple, and turning back; the Mouth black and shining; at the bottom of each segment are two roundish green spots, fig. 3, 2.

STAMINA: five FILAMENTS, very short, of a black purple colour, and inserted in the tube of the Corolla. Five Antheræ, yellow, upright, and uniting into a tube, with two holes at the top of each, out of which the Pollen is discharged, fig. 4, 5.

PISTILLUM: the GERMEN pear-shaped: the STYLE tapering, a little longer than the Stamina: the STIGMA simple and obtuse, fig. 6.

SEED-VESSEL: an oval, fcarlet, fmooth Berry, of two cavities, the receptacle to which the feeds is connected, is round on both fides, fig. 8.

SEEDS feveral, flat, fomewhat kidney-shaped, fig. 9, of a yellowish colour, inclosed in the pulp, which has a disagreeable smell, fig. 9.

THE Woody Nightshade has been commended as a medicine for many distempers by the old Botanists, in their usually lavish manner: but Parkinson says, he found the juice of it prove a very churlish purge. Linneus prefers an infusion of the stalk of this plant to any of the foreign woods, as a cleanser of the blood; and recommends it in inflammatory severs, obstructions, the itch, and rheumatism: and to render the knowledge of plants as extensively useful as possible, he does not think it beneath him to remark, that the Swedish Peasants make hoops of the stalk of this plant to bind their wooden cans. Ray informs us, that the inhabitants of Wesphalia, who are subject to the scurvy, make use of a decoction of the whole plant as their common drink, with success against that distemper.

FLOYER fays, that thirty berries of this plant killed a dog in less than three hours, and remained undigested in his stomach. As these berries, from their resemblance, may happen by mistake to be eaten for currants by children, it may not be improper to remark, that in such a case, it is adviseable to pour down instantly, as much warm water as possible, to dilute the poisonous juice, and provoke vomiting, till farther assistance can be had.

Goats and sheep are said to feed on this plant; but our other cattle, viz. kine, horses, and swine, refuse it.

It grows plentifully in moist hedges, and blows from July to August. The berries are ripe in September and October. It is sometimes found with a white flower.







Lonicera Periclymenum. Honeysuckle or Woodbine.

LONICERA Linnæi Gen. Pl. PENTANDRIA MONOGYNIA.

Raii Synopfis. Arbores et frutices fructu flori petaloidi contiguo.

LONICERA capitulis ovatis imbricatis terminalibus, foliis omnibus distinctis. Lin. Sp. Pl. 247.

PERICLYMENUM. Fuschii. Icon. 646.

PERYCLIMENUM non perfoliatum Germanicum. Baubin. Pin. 302.

CAPRIFOLIUM Germanicum. Dodon. Gerard. emac. 891. Parkinson. 1460. Raii Syn. 458. Hudson Fl. 80.

Haller. Hist. 301. Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. p. 153.

FOLIA opposita, ovata, glabra, subtus cærulescentia. LEAVES opposite, oval, smooth, underneath of a blueish

base of the tube, with glandular hairs, fig. 8. COROLLA monopetalous and tubular, the Tube long, fubinfundibuliformis; LIMBUS bipartitus, laciniis revolutis, fuperiore quadrifida, fegmentis fere æqualibus, obtusis, inferiore integra, fig. 2.

STYLUS filiformis, Staminibus paulo longior, fg. 6: STIGMA capitatum, fubrotundum, trifidum, viride, fig. 7.

PERICARPIA: BACCÆ plures, fubrotundæ, rubræ, um- SEED-VESSELS feveral roundish red Berries, habilicatæ, biloculares, omnes distinctæ, fig. 9.

SEMINA plura, lutescentia, hinc convexa inde plana, SEEDS several, of a yellowish brown colour, round

CAULIS lignofus, volubilis, orgyalis et ultra; cortice STALK woody, twining, growing to the height of fix pallide fusco; RAMI oppositi, purpurei. BRANCHES opposite and purple.

colour.

FLORES terminales, verticillatim dispositi, patentes, FLOWERS terminal, growing in a whirl, and spread-rubri, interne flavi, odoratissimi. fragrant.

CALYX: Perianthium superum, brevissimum, quin- CALYX, a Perianthium placed above the Germen, very quepartitum; segmentis ovato-lanceolatis, e- short, divided into five segments, which are of an oval pointed shape, and upright, the two

inferior ones most remote from each other, fig. 1. BRACTEÆ fubcordatæ, fig. 8, germina imbricatim FLORAL-LEAVES laying one over the other, and cingentes, ad marginem præcipue fcabræ, ut funt calyx, et tubi basis pilis glanduliferis.

> and fomewhat funnel-shaped; the Limb bipartite; the laciniæ rolling back, the upper one divided into four blunt and nearly equal feg-

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque filiformia, corolla songiora, alba, tubo corolla inferta, fig. 3: Anthere dum pollinem involvunt oblongæ, incumbentes, postea lunatæ, fig. 4.

STAMINA: five white FILAMENTS, of an equal thickness throughout, longer than the Corolla, and inferted into its tube, fig. 3: the Antheræ, while they contain the Pollen, oblong, afterwards semilurar, and of a velley solary for the wards semilurar, and of a velley solary for the semilurar and the semilurar and semilurar and the semilurar and s Wards femilunar, and of a yellow colour, fig. 4.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN fubrotundum, inferum, fig. 5. PISTILLUM: the GERMEN roundish, and placed be-

low the Calyx, fig. 5: the STYLE filiform, a little longer than the Stamina, fig. 6: the STIGMA roundish, trifid, and of a green colour,

on one fide, and flattish on the other, fig. 10.

THE early writers attributed virtues to this officinal plant, which the latter have been inclined to give up. As a medicine we must not expect much from it: but the beauty, fingularity, and exquisite fragrance of its flowers, have long given it a place in our gardens. It is a climber, and turns from east to west with most of our other English climbers, and in common with them, it bears clipping and pruning well: for in a state of nature, those English climbers, and in common with them, it bears clipping and pruning well: for in a state of nature, those plants that cannot ascend without twining round others, are often liable to lose large branches; they have, therefore, a proportional vigour of growth to restore accidental damages. This plant is subject, when placed near buildings, to be disfigured, and injured, by small insects, called Aphides, or vulgarly blights: these animalculæ were formerly supposed to be brought by the east wind, and consequently the mischief was looked upon as inevitable; but observation has of late years corrected that error: their *history is well known; but no effectual remedy against them, is as yet discovered. These insects are not very numerous in spring, but as the summer advances, they increase in a surprising degree: to preserve the plant therefore from injury, it is necessary to watch their sirst attacks, cut off and destroy the branches they first appear on; for when they have once gained ground, they are defended by their numbers. We have seen small plants cleared of them, by sprinkling Spanish snuff on the insected branches; but for large trees, this remedy is scarcely practicable. The leaves are likewise liable to be curled up by a small caterpillar, (Phalæna Tortrix, Linnæi.) which produces a beautiful little moth: see Albin's history of English Insects, pl. 73. It is fed on by kine, goats, and sheep, but horses refuse it.

To shew the confusion of antient names it may not be improper to observe, that this plant and Woodroffe, (Asperula odorata,) have been both called Matrifylva by the old botanic writers. Our poets also, have strangely confounded the names of this plant. Shakespear says,

" So doth the Woodbine the fweet Honeyfuckle "Gently entwift."

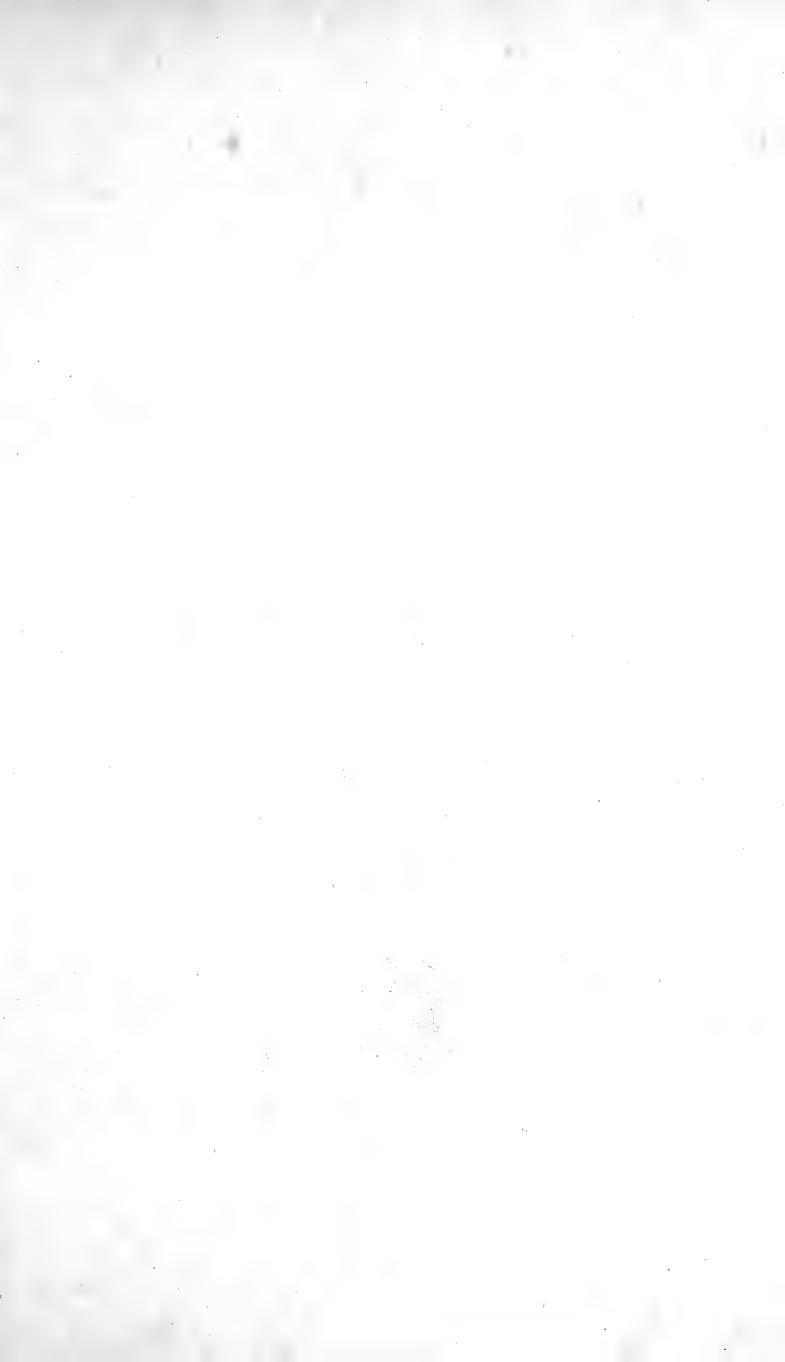
MILTON feems to call this plant Eglantine, although that is an undoubted name for the Sweet Briar.

"Through the Sweet Briar, or the Vine, "Or the twisted Eglantine."

We find it plentifully in woods and hedges, flowering from July to September. Such plants as grow in shady places, produce blossoms of a paler colour, and they universally smell sweetest in the evening; at which time some particular species of Sphinges, (Linnæi.) or Hawk Moths, are frequently observed in gardens hovering over the blossom and with the interpretable of the same particular species of Sphinges, (Linnæi.) or Hawk Moths, are frequently observed in gardens hovering over the blossom and with the interpretable of the same particular species of Sphinges, (Linnæi.) or Hawk Moths, are frequently observed in gardens hovering over the blossom and the same particular species of sphinges, (Linnæi.) or Hawk Moths, are frequently observed in gardens hovering over the blossom species of sphinges, (Linnæi.) or Hawk Moths, are frequently observed in gardens hovering over the blossom species of sphinges, (Linnæi.) or Hawk Moths, are frequently observed in gardens hovering over the blossom species of sphinges, (Linnæi.) foms, and with their long tongues, which are peculiarly adapted to the purpose, extracting honey from the very bottom of the flowers.

*Vid. REAUMUR and GEOFFROY.







HEDERA HELIX. IVY.

HEDERA Linnei Gen. Pl. PENTANDRIA MONOGYNIA. Petala quinque oblonga. Bacca quinquesperma calyce cincla.

calyce cincta.

Raii Syn. Arbores et Frutices fructu flori petaloidi contiguo.

HEDERA Helix foliis ovatis lobatisque. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. p. 202. Sp. Pl. 292. Fl. Suecic. p. 75;

HEDERA foliis sterilibus trilobatis, fructiferis ovato-lanceolatis. Haller bist. helv. n. 826.

HEDERA Helix. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. n. 271. Hudson Fl. Angl p. 85.

HEDERA arborea. Baubin. Pin. 305.

HEDERA major sterilis. Baubin. Pin. 305.

HEDERA humi repens. Baubin. Pin. 305.

HEDERA arborea sive scandens et corymbosa communis. Parkinson 678.

HEDERA Helix Ger. Em. 858. Raii Syn. 459. Climbing or Berried Ivy: also Barren or Creeping Ivy.

FOLIA quam maxime varia, dum planta repit plerumque trilobata, quinquelobata etiam occurunt; adminiculis derelictis, ovata fiunt; glabra, nitentia, nunc rubedine ornata, nunc venis albis picta, presertim in ramulis junioribus.

FLORES lutescentes, in summitatibus caulium umbellatim dispositi, Umbellæ densæ, globosæ. COROLLA: quinque, ovata, flavescentia, patentia.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque longitudine Corollæ; ANTHERÆ basi bisidæ, incumbentes, fig. 1.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN turbinatum; Stylus simplex,

brevissimus; STIGMA simplex, fig. 2.

PERICARPIUM: BACCA globosa, nigra, intus purpurea, quadrilocularis aut quinquelocularis, coronata receptaculo et stylo conico brevi, loculis

monospermis, fig. 3, 4. SEMINA quinque, hinc gibba, inde angulata, fig. 6.

TRUNCUS in arboribus hujus speciei senescentibus cortice rimoso cinereo vestitur, in novellis ramis are old, is covered with an ash-coloured chopped bark, in the young branches it is of a green or purple colour; from the inside of the trunk agreat number of simal sibre are are old, in the young branches it is of a green or purple colour; from the inside of the trunk agreat number of simal sibre are thrown ped bark, in the young branches it is of a green or purple colour; from the infide of the trunk a great number of small sibres are thrown out, by the assistance of which, it supports itself on the nearest walls and trees, and climbs aloft.

LEAVES as various as possible, while the plant creeps they are in general trilobate; fometimes quinquelobate, leaving its supporters, they become oval; fmooth, fhining, fometimes tictured with red, fometimes painted with white veins, par-ticularly in the young branches.

FLOWERS yellowish, growing on the top of the stalks in thick round UMBELS,

COROLLA: PETALs five, oval, yellowish and spread-

ing.
STAMINA: five FILAMENTS the length of the Corolla; ANTHERE bifid at bottom, and incum-

rolla; ANTHERE blind at bottom, and intended bent, fig. 1.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN roundish; STYLE simple and very short; STIGMA simple, fig. 2.

SEED-VESSEL: a round BERRY, externally black,

internally purple, with four or five cavities each containing one feed, crowned with the receptacle and fhort conic Style, fig. 3, 4.

SEEDS five, on one fide gibbous, on the other angular, fig. 6.

The Hedera Helix begins to blow in funny afpects towards the end of September, and according to fituation blof-foms on through October, and November. This plant is one of the last blowers, and is much reforted to by bees, and slies of various species, which swarm on its branches, and feed on its blossoms, making such a humming on funny days as may be diftinguished at a considerable distance.

The berries encrease in bulk gradually all through the winter months, and are full formed by February; in

April they ripen and turn very black, and are eaten by feveral species of thrushes, and wild pigeons. Thus does fructification manifestly obtain in this instance all through the winter months, as well as in the mosses and lichens. Sheep are very fond of Ivy, which in hard weather is a warm and wholsome food; and therefore shepherds in snowy seasons cut down branches for their flocks to brouze on. Cato directs that in a scarcity of hay, cattle should

be foddered with Ivy.

Professor Kalm, in his travels through the greatest part of N. America, saw but one plant of Ivy, and that was

running up the walls of a man's house: this specimen was probably carried thither by some European, who perhaps was desirous of propagating in that new world, a plant that might still recall to his mind the pleasing Idea of his native cottage, tusted with the foliage of this beautiful Evergreen.

was defirous of propagating in that new world, a plant that might full recall to his mind the pleafing idea of his native cottage, tufted with the foliage of this beautiful Evergreen.

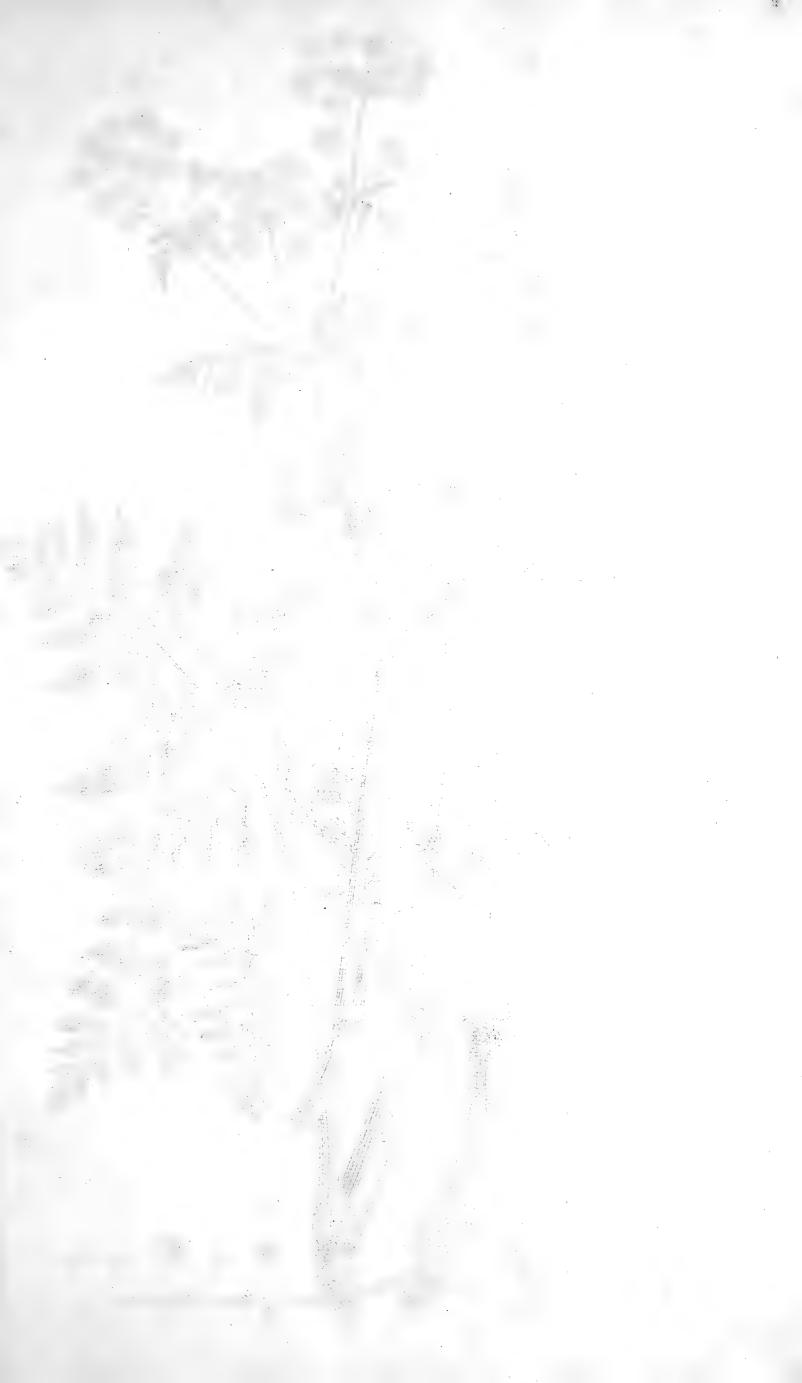
The antients held this plant in great effeem; their Heroes and Poets are described as wearing garlands composed of it. The supposition of its preventing intoxication is of very early date: Homer therefore mentions his Bacchus as Ivy-crowned, and often describes his Heroes drinking out of a Cup made of the wood of Ivy. (κιστυβιον.) Caro tells us that with a cup of this kind we may distinguish wine that as been adulterated with water, for the wine will be discharged and the water remain: to such an extravagant affertion has this grave author been probably led by relying on the supposed antipathy between the wine and ivy: This cup is still used in some parts of the kingdom as a remedy for a trembling hand; but rational practice has not admitted any part of the Hedera into the Materia Medica, Ivy-leaves however are said to be successfully applied to painful Corns. When it trails on the ground its branches are small and weak; and its leaves are divided into three lobes; but when it climbs walls or trees it grows much stronger, and the leaf changes to an oval form: these different appearances induced old Botanists to suppose there were two or three different species. In its variegated state it sometimes appears almost white, and may perhaps be the Hedera alba, and pallentes Hedera of Virgil.

Few people are acquainted with the beauty of Ivy when suffered to run up a stake, and at length to form itself into a standard, the singular complication of its branches, and the vivid hue of its leaves, give it one of the first places amongst evergreens in a shrubbery; In woods when suffered to grow large, and rampant, this plant by twining round their bodies does great damage to timber trees; and therefore should be carefully destroyed: but in ornamented Out-lets, where evergreens do not abound, a few trees covered with Ivy have a very pleasing

port than nourish it.

The soft wood of Ivy is made use of by Shoemakers to give a smooth edge to their cutting knives.







CONIUM MACULATUM. HEMLOCK

CONIUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. PENTANDRIA DIGYNIA.

Raii. Syn. Gen. 11. Umbelliferæ Herbæ.

CONIUM maculatum seminibus striatis. Linn. Syft. Vegetab. p. 229.

CICUTA Haller. hift. helv. n. 766. v. 1. p. 337.

CONIUM maculatum. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 207:

CICUTA major Baubin. Pin. 160.

CICUTA Gerard emac. 1061.

CICUTA vulgaris major Parkinson 933. Raii Syn. p. 215. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 100. Störck. Cicut. Suppl. p. 7.

- RADIX biennis, craffitudine digiti, longa usque ad pe- ROOT biennial, the thickness of ones finger, from six dalem, in crura sape divisa, juniori Pastinaca inches to a foot in length, frequently forked, hand diffinilis oderis gravis et saperis subdulations. cis: fecundo anno in caulescente planta succo fere caret, firma solidiorque evadit:
- CAULIS orgyalis, teres, nitidus, lævis, fiftulofus, ad STALK about fix inches high, round, fhining, fmooth bafin craffitie pollicis, rore glauco tectus, et maculis sanguineis pictus, versus summitatem ramosus, et striatus.
- FOLIA inferiora magna, etiam bipedalia, atro-virentia, nitentia, multiplicato-pinnata, pinnulis oblongis inciso-serratis; Spatha sulcata.
- INFLORESCENTIA. Umbella universalis Radiis plurimis patentibus striatis; partialis confimilis.

- cum striis quinque elevatis crenulatis, fig. 4, 5.

- and not unlike that of a young Parinep, of disagreeable smell and sweetish taste: in the cond year of its growth when the plant ha flowering stem, it becomes drier, more firm and folid.
- thumb, covered with a blueish kind of powder
- which eafily wipes off, and fpotted with red, towards the top branched and ftriated,

 LEAVES. The bottom leaves large, even two feet long,
 of a dark green colour and fining, many times
 pinnated, the pinnulæ oblong and fharply cut in;
 the Sparse ground
- the Spatha grooved.

 INFLORESCENCE. The Univerfal Umbell is composed of many striated and spreading Radii; the Partial Umbell similar to it.
- CALYX: Involucrum universale e foliolis 5--7 constat, lanceolato acuminatis, reflexis, margine albidis, fig. 1; partiale 3 aut 4 dimidiatis, extrorsum patentibus, fig. 2.

 COROLLA: Petala quinque, alba, inæqualia, in-

 - five notched and elevated ridges, fig. 4, 5.

THE powerfull deleterious properties of this herb have been long known and acknowledged by all botanic writers; whence it has been commonly ranged in the class of Vegetable Poisons. And as such active principles under skilful management, are likely to afford the most efficacious remedies, this plant has been also admitted as an article of the Materia Medica. Until lately however, the use of it was chiefly confined to external applications, where its narcotic qualities may undoubtedly affist in asswaining pain, forwarding suppuration, &c. But in the year 1760, Dr. Störck, a samous Practitioner at Vienna, published a treatise on Hemlock, recommending an extract made of the inspissated juice of the herb to be taken internally, from sour grains to sixty, or upwards, every day, as a cure for the Schrophula, Cancer, and others of the most terrible and inveterate disorders incident to the human body.

Our Physicians though laudably cautious of admitting or trusting to novelties, received Dr. Störck's publica-Our Physicians though laudably cautious of admitting or trusting to novelties, received Dr. Störck's publication with uncommon ardour, and perhaps no new medicine was ever more immediately or generally tried than this Extractum Cicutæ. The fuccess however not answering their expectation, led some to think they had mistaken the plant. The Author was applied to, and this produced a supplement (printed 1764) wherein the species is figured, and clearly shewn to be the Conium maculatum of Linnæus. It were to be wished this had cleared up all difficulties. In his first treatise the Doctor tells us that the fresh root sliced, yielded a bitter acrid milk, of which a single drop or two being applied to the tip of his tongue, presently rendered it painful, rigid, and so much swelled that he could not speak, Yet it is certain that the roots of our Hemlock may be chewed and swallowed in considerable quantities without producing any sensible effect. Mr. Alchorne (who I believe was the first that laudably exerted himself in investigating this matter,) assures me that he has tried this in every season of the Year, and in most parts of our Island, without finding any material difference: and that he has also been well informed both from Berlin and Vienna, that the Hemlock Roots in those countries, are no more virulent than ours about London. Mr. TIMOTHY LANE informs me, that he also with great caution made fome experiments of the like kind, and in a short time found he could venture to eat a considerable part of a root without any inconvenience; after that, he had some large roots boiled, and found them as agreeable eating at dinner with meat, as Carrots, which they in taste somewhat resembled: and as far as his experience, joined with that sof others informed him, the Roots might be cultivated in Gardens, and either eaten raw like Celery, or boiled as Parsneps or Carrots. That in Spring and Winter they are not woody as in Summer: that he has eaten them from different places and in all seasons; and that he perceived some roots were more pungent than others, but not in any degree worthy notice.

The experiments of these ingenious Gentlemen sufficiently evince the innocence of the rooots of this plant, contrary to what has been afferted by Dr. Störck, and hence we may infer that whatever accounts have been related by Authors of their poisonous qualities, the Roots of some other Plant must have been made use of. In the poisonous quality of the Herb however all Authors seem agreed, but with respect to its efficacy as a medicine they very much differ. If we may believe Dr. Störck, there is scarce a disease incident to the human body which it either does not cure, or relieve; but it is remarkable that a copious experience of sifteen years, as well in the great Hospitals of this Metropolis as in the private practice of the whole Kingdom, should not have afforded one instance of a perfect cure by the Extract, at least none such has appeared among the valuable collections of cases published by our College of Physicians and other Medical Societies. Both Dr. Fothergill of London, and the late Dr. Rutty of Ireland, men of the greatest eminence in their profession, have declared that the success attending it has not been equal to what they had reason to expect from Dr. Storck's account of it; (vid. medical observations and enquiries, vol. 3.) yet tho' it had failed them in the cure of many of those diseases which unfortunately were the opprobia medicorum, it had proved beneficial in various obstinate complaints; Scrophulous tumours were to appearance dissolved by it; the progress both of occult and ulcerated Cancers was retarded, the pain alleviated, and the discharge changed for the better in every respect; divers putrid and fordid Ulcers were by the use of Hemlock remarkably mended in their discharge, and disposed to heal, in some of which the Sublimate had been given in vain; hence the Extract is still frequently used, and will probably continue to be prescribed, because its effects as an Anodyne will often afford at least a temporary relief, and because in desperate diseases a doubtful remedy seems better than

The taking of the Extract is generally attended with a giddiness and often with a pain of the head, nausea, and other disagreeable symptoms; in some however its effects are apparently anodyne, as it eases pain and promotes rest even where Opium has failed.

Physicians seem somewhat divided about the best mode of exhibiting this medicine, some recommending the extract as being most easily taken in the form of pills, others the powder, as not being subject to that variation which the extract is liable to from being made in different ways. With respect to the period likewise at which the plant should be gathered, they seem not perfectly agreed, some recommending it when in its sull vigour, and just coming into bloom, others when the flowers are going off and the whole plant has acquired a yellowish hue. That the Extract might be at all times equally active, and uniformly prepared, Dr. Cullen has for many years recommended the making it from theunripe seeds, and this mode the College of Physicians at Edinburgh has thought proper to adopt in their new Pharmacopæia.

Hemlock grows very frequently on banks by the fides of Roads, by hedge fides, and in Fields and Gardens, flowering in the month of July.

We have a common English Proverb that what is one Mans Meat is another mans Poison, and agreeable to this are the lines of Lucretius which relate to this plant;

"Pinguescere sæpe Cicutâ"
"Barbigeros pecudes homini quæ est acre venenum."

That it affords nourishment to Birds likewise there is sufficient evidence, our learned Philosopher and accurate Naturalist Mr. RAY, found in the Crop of a Thrush abundance of *Hemlock* seeds, at a time too when other vegetable sood might be had in abundance. It appears to be eaten by very few or no Insects.

The dried stems or kexes are used by Boys for various purposes.

The Hemlock is obviously distinguished from our other umbelliferous plants by its large and spotted stalk, by the dark and shining green colour of its bottom leaves, and particularly by their disagreeable smell when bruised, and which according to Dr. Storek resembles that of Mice. The Fools Parsley and Scandix with rough seeds are the most likely to be mistaken for this possenous plant, but may easily be distinguished if attention be paid to the descriptions and figures we have already given of them.





ÆTHUSA CYNAPIUM. FOOL'S PARSLEY.

ÆTHUSA Linnæi Gen. Pl. PENTANDRIA DIGYNIA. Raii Syn. Gen. 11. UMBELLIFERÆ HERBÆ.

ÆTHUSA (Cynapium) foliis conformibus. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 236. Flor. Suecic. p. 92. ÆTHUSA. Haller. bist. n. 765.

minor petroselino similis. Bauhin. Pin. p. 160.

CICUTARIA Apii folio. I. Bauhin.
CICUTARIA tenuifolia Gerard. emac. 1063.
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CICUTA minor five fatua Parkinson. 933. Raii Syn. p. 215. the lesser Hemlock or Fool's Parsley. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 206. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 107. Hill's British Herbal small Hemlock tab. 58.

CAULIS pedalis ad bipedalem, erectus, ramofus, striatus, fistulosus, glaucus, versus basin sæpe purpureus, non vero maculatus:

FOLIA radicalia et ramea conformia, lavia, fuperne atro-virentia, inferne pallidiora, nitentia, duplicato-pinnata, pinnis pinnatifidis, profunde incisis, pinnulis ovato-acutis, mucronatis. Vaginæ ad basin petiolorum parvæ, læves, marginibus membranaceis.

PETIOLI erecti, fulcati.

UMBELLA universalis patens, radiis interioribus per gradus brevioribus, intimis brevissimis; partialis universali similis.

INVOLUCRUM universale nullum, partiale dimidiatum, extus positum, foliolis tribus longissimis linearibus pendulis, fig. 1.

COROLLA: PETALA quinque, alba, obcordata, inæqualia, apice inflexa, exteriora majora, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque, alba, longitudine corollæ, inflexa: ANTHERÆ albæ,nonnunquam

rubellæ, fig. 3.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN inferum, glandulå virescente coronatum: Styli duo, primum erecti, dein deflexi: Stigmata obtufa, fig. 4.

PERICARPIUM nullum: FRUCTUS ovato-fubrotundus, Ariatus, bipartibilis, fig. 5.

SEMINA duo, pallide fusca, hinc convexa, profunde ftriata, hinc plana, figura ovato-acuta notata, fig. 6.

RADIX annua, fusiformis, alba, minimi digiti crassitudine, ROOT annual, tapering, of a white colour, about the paucis fibris instructa.

STALK from one to two feet high, upright, branched, ftriated or flightly grooved, hollow, covered with a blueith kind of powder which eafily wipes off, towards the bottom frequently of a

purple colour, but not spotted. LEAVES: the bottom leaves and those of the branches fimilar, fmooth, on the upper fide of a dark green colour, underneath paler and shining, twice pinnated, the leaves pinnatifid and deeply cut in, the small leaves or pinnulæ oval and terminating in a fine point. The SHEATHS at the base of the foot-stalks small, smooth and mem-

branous at the edges.

FOOT-STALKS of the flowers, upright and grooved.

UMBEL: the univerfal umbel fpreading, the inner radii gradually shorter, the inmost very short; the partial umbel like the universal.

INVOLUCRUM: the universal Involucrum wanting, the partial one placed externally, and only furrounding one half of the umbel, composed of

three very long, linear, and pendulous leaves, fig. 1. COROLLA: five unequal, heart-shaped, white Petals,

bent in at top, the outer ones largest, fig. 2. STAMINA: five white FILAMENTS the length of the Corolla, bending in: ANTHERÆ white, fome-

times reddish, fig. 3.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN placed below the corolla, and crowned by a glandular fubstance of a greenish colour: two STYLES first upright, afterwards bending downward: STIGMATA blunt, sig. 4.

SEED-VESSEL wanting: the FRUIT or unripe feed of an oval roundish shape, striated, and dividing into two parts. for a

into two parts, fig. 5.

SEEDS two, of a pale brown colour, convex and deeply firiated on one fide, flat on the other, and marked with a figure of an oval pointed shape,

ONE of the principal advantages refulting to mankind from Botany, is the rightly afcertaining those plants which are used for food, from those which are known to be possonous. It not unfrequently happens that both these kinds of Herbs grow in the same soil, nay often in the same bed together, and so similar are they in their general appearance, that the indiscriminating eye of the common observer readily mistakes the one for the other, and hence diseases satal in their consequences sometimes ensue. To point out then the most obvious distinctions between such sinds of plants is not only our hydroge but our duty. fuch kinds of plants, is not only our bufiness but our duty.

The Fool's Parsley seems generally allowed to be a plant which possesses possesses generally allowed to be a plant which possesses possesses generally allowed to be a plant which possesses possesses generally allowed to be a plant which possesses possesses generally allowed to be a plant which possesses faid concerning it, and quotes many authorities to shew that this plant (on being eaten) has been productive of the most violent symptoms, such as anxiety, hickcough, and a delirium even for the space of three months, stupper, vomiting, convultions and death: He suspects however that the common Hemlock may sometimes have had a share in producing these symptoms, as he finds in authors that the Fool's Parsley had been used by a whole family without any bad effect, although he imagines this might be owing to the smallness of the quantity eaten. As a corroborating proof of its deleterious quality, Linness afferts that it proves fatal to geese if they happen to eat it.

Altho' it seems rather doubtful whether it be so possesses to mankind as is represented, yet it will perhaps be most prudent to consider it as such, until future experiments shall determine its effects with more certainty.

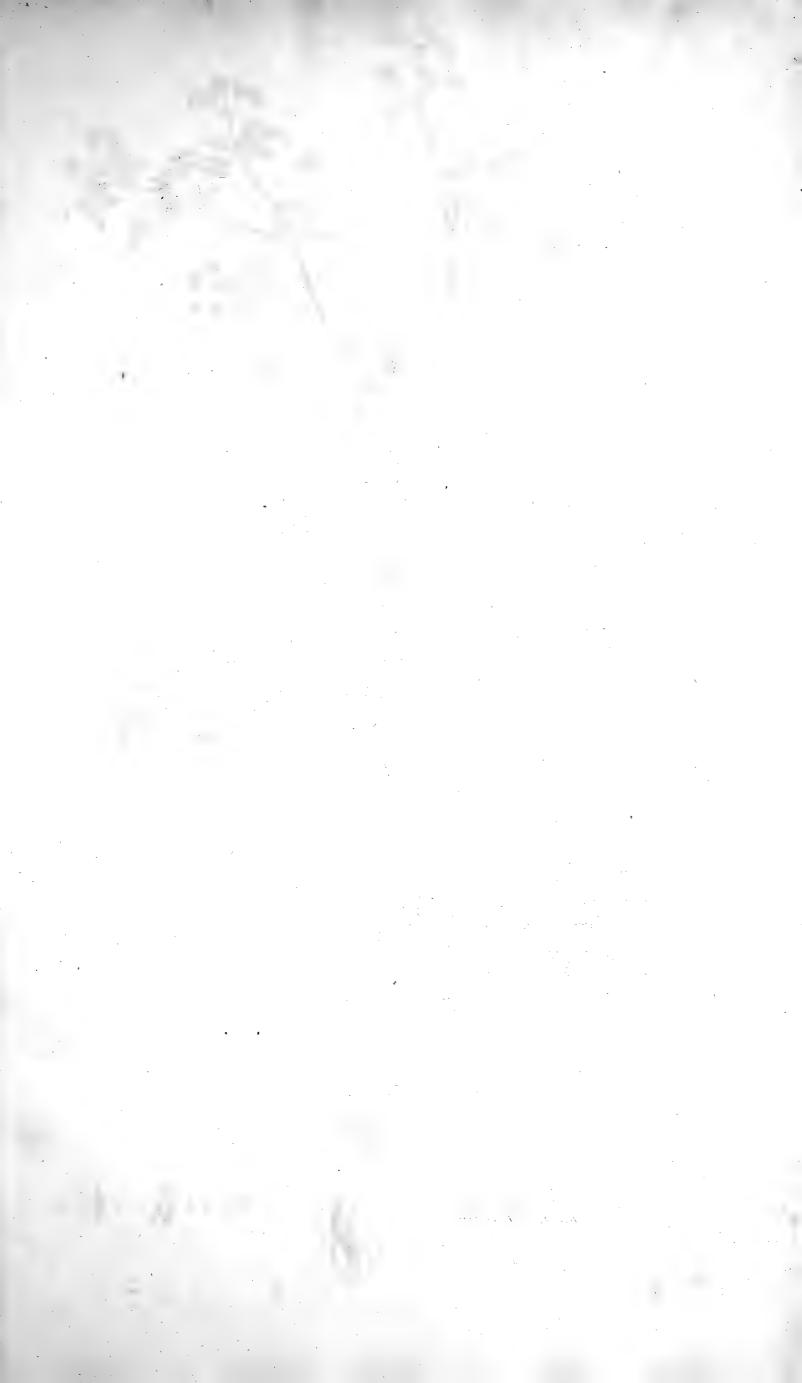
The plants to which this bears the greatest resemblance, are common Garden Parsley and common Hemlock, Conium maculatum; this similarity has been observed by most Botanic Writters, some of whom have called it a kind of Hemlock, others a kind of Parsley; it differs however considerably from both these Genera. The colour of its leaves alone, is nearly sufficient to diffinguish it from Parsley; those of common Parsley are of a yellowish green colour, those of Fool's Parsley have very little small in them. These marks if attended to are sufficient to diffinguish the searce of these two plants, and in the state of leaves they are most liable to be taken for one another, as they grow together in Gardens. Where much Parsley is used, the Mistress of the house therefore would do well to examine the Herbs previous to their being made use of;

variety called curled Parsley, which cannot be mistaken for this or any other plant.

It is distinguished from Hemlock by being in every respect smaller, and not having that strong disagreeable smell which characterizes the leaves of that plant; the stalk likewise is not spotted as in the Hemlock; and lastly it is distinguished from all our umbelliferous plants by the three long, narrow, pendulous leaves which compose its partial Involucrum, and which are placed at the bottom of each of the small Umbels.

It grows very common in Gardens, and all kinds of cultivated ground, and flowers in July and August.







SCANDIX ANTHRISCUS. SCANDIX WITH ROUGH SEEDS.

SCANDIX Linnæi Gen. Pl. PENTANDRIA DIGYNIA Raii Syn. Gen. 11. UMBELLIFERÆ HERBÆ

SCANDIX Anthriscus seminibus ovatis hispidis, corollis uniformibus, caule lævi. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 237. Flor. Suecic. p. 93.

CAUCALIS vaginis lanuginosis, foliis triplicato-pinnatis, seminibus rostratis. Haller bist. n. 743.

MYRRHIS sylvestris, seminibus asperis. Bauhin pin. 160. Parkinson 935. Ger. emac. 1038. Raii Syn. p. 220. Small Hemlock-Chervil with rough Seeds. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 108. Jacquin Flor. Austriac Vol. 2. p. 35. tab. 154.

RADIX annua, parva, albida, fubinfipida.

FOLIA. Vaginæ ad basin foliorum magnæ, marginibus lanuginosis; Folia mollia, tenera, multi-plicate pinnata, hirsutula, ex luteo-virentia.

INFLORESCENTIA *Umbella*. Umbellæ obliquæ, pedunculatæ: Pedunculus universalis Radiis brevior, Radii *universales* 3—5. glabri, partia-

CALYX: Involucrum universale nullum. Partiale plerum-que pentaphyllum, foliolis lanceolato-acuminatis, ciliatis, persistentibus fig. 1:

COROLLA: PETALA quinque, minima, fubæqualia, alba, fubcordata, apicibus inflexis. fig. 2:

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque, petalis paulo breviora; Antheræ primum virides, dein fuscæ

PISTILLUM: GERMEN oblongum, inferum, fubcompressum, hirfutum, STYLI duo breves. fig. 5.

SEMINA duo, oblonga, e fusco-nigricantia, hinc sulcato-plana, inde convexa, rostrata, pilis rigidis hamatis undique aspera fig. 6.

ROOT annual, small, whitish, with little taste.

CAULIS pedalis ad tripedalem, fæpe altior, fuberectus, teres, fiftulofus, lævis, ad genicula tumidus et fubstriatus, plerumque viridis.

STALK from one to three feet high, frequently taller, nearly upright, round, hollow, fmooth, fwelled and flightly striated at the joints, and most commonly green.

LEAVES. The sheaths formed by the base of the leaves are large and downy at the edges: the leaves soft, tender, many times pinnated, slightly hairy, and of a yellowish green colour.

INFLORESCENCE an Umbell, the Umbell's oblique, ftanding on footstalks, the general or universal footstalk shorter than the Radii; the universal Radii from 3 to 5, the partial Radii from

CALYX. The univerfal Involucrum wanting, the Partial one generally composed of five leaves, which are pointed, hairy at the edges, and continue. fig. 1.

COROLLA: five PETALS very minute, nearly equal, white, fomewhat heart shaped, the tips bending in, fig. 2.

STAMINA: five FILAMENTS, a little shorter than the Petals; the Antheræ first green, afterwards brown, fig. 3.

PISTILLUM: the GERMEN oblong, placed beneath the Corolla, flattifh, and rough, two STYLES very short fig. 5.

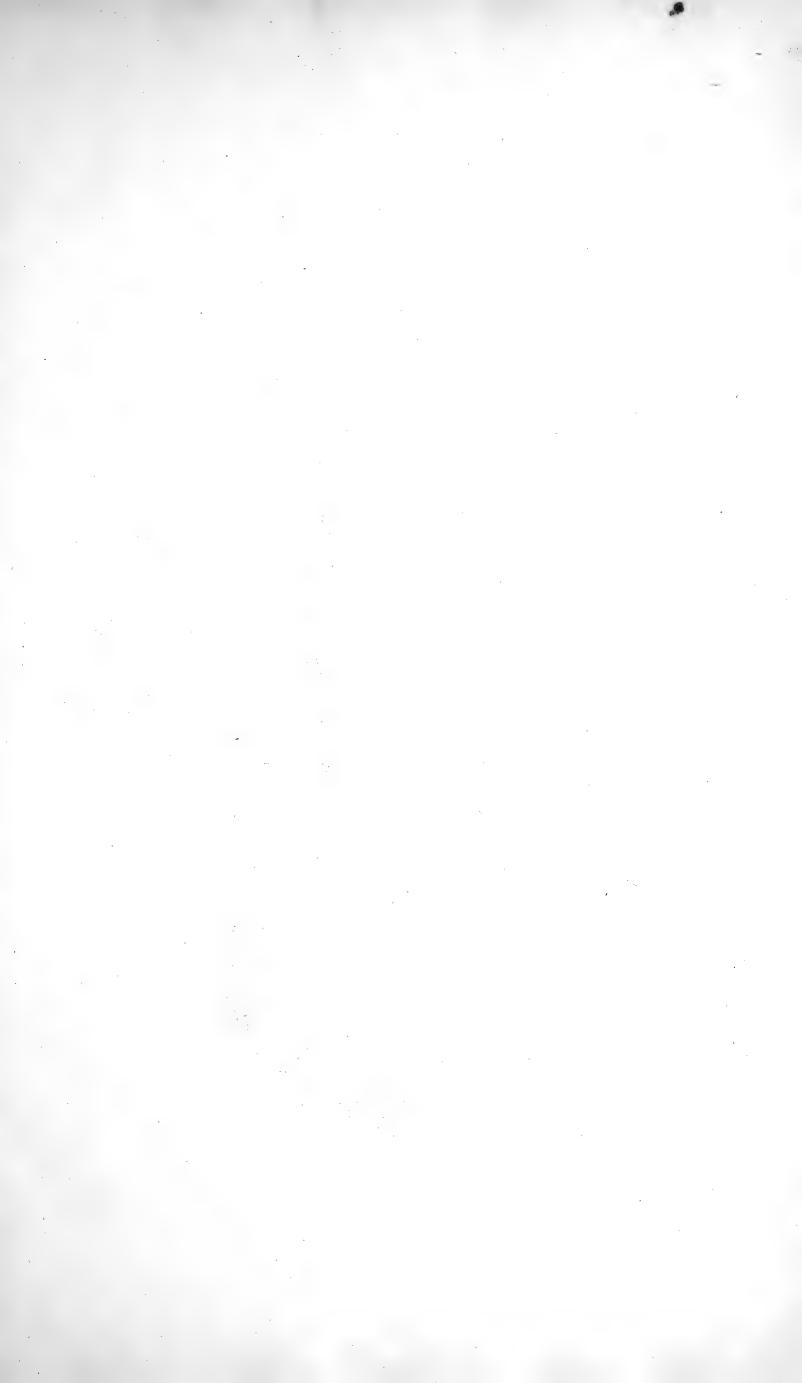
two, oblong, of a dark brown colour, on one fide flat and grooved, on the other convex, SEEDS running out to a point, and prickly with stiff hooked hairs, fig. 6.

THE great similarity in the external appearance of a great number of umbelliferous plants, frequently hath been the cause of mistakes, which have sometimes proved hurtful to the health of individuals. At the same time that there is no class of plants which, at first sight, appears to the young Botanist more difficult of investigation than this, there is none perhaps which affords more constant, or more certain marks of generic and specific difference. Obvious distinctions may be drawn from the Stalk and Leaves: in some the stalk is smooth in others, rough; and in others, more or less deeply channeled; in some the leaves are very finely divided; and in others, but coarsely so; but the general and partial Involucrum the number, shape, and situation of its leaves, the number of the Radii which compose the umbell, the size and equality of the Petals, and the very different appearances of the Seeds, all unite to render a knowledge of these plants easily acquired.

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Some of the Umbelliferi are used in food, and others in medicine; the greatest care will therefore be necessary in the drawing and description of these; and in this, no one seems to have succeeded for well as the celebrated Jacquin. In the first and second volumes of his Flora Austriaca, lately published, and which indeed are a most valuable addition to the stock of botanic knowledge, a great number of these plants are figured and described.

This plant grows very common on dry banks and in hedges, slowers from the beginning to the end of May, and the seeds are ripe in June. When it becomes luxuriant, as it sometimes will from growing in a moist situation, it is attention be paid to the following particulars: The leaves of the Hemlock are perfectly smooth; these have a Hemlock has a general involucrum, which in this plant is wanting; the seeds of the Hemlock are smooth, and these are rough; the Hemlock has a strong disagreeable smell; this not disagreeable, but more like Chervil, to which in its virtues it should seem nearest allied.





COMMON CHICKWEED. ALSINE MEDIA.

ALSINE Linnæi Gen. Pl. PENTANDRIA TRIGYNIA.

Cal. 5-phyllus. Petala 5-æqualia. Caps. 1-locularis, 3-valvis.

Raii Syn. Gen. 24. HERBÆ PENTAPETALÆ VASCULIFERÆ.

ALSINE media. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 246. Flora Suecic. p. 37.

ALSINE foliis petiolatis, ovato lanceolatis, petalis bipartitis. Haller hift. helv. n. 880.

ALSINE media. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. n. 376.

ALSINE media. Baubin pin. p. 250.

ALSINE media seu minor. Gerard emac. 611. Raii Syn. p. 347, Common Chickweed. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 113. Oeder Fl. Dan. 525, 438.

RADIX annua, fibrofa, capillacea.

CAULES plures, tenelli, teretes, subrepentes, ramosi, viticulis geniculati, unifariam birsuti, apicibus fensim incrassatis.

FOLIA ovato-acuta, glabra, leviter ciliata; inferiora petiolata, fuperiora fessilia, connata.

PETIOLI ad basin latiora, hirsuti.

PEDUNCULI uniflori, axillares, hirsuti, peractà florescentia penduli, demum erecti.

CALYX: Perianthium pentaphyllum, foliolis lanceolatis, concavis, subcarinatis, marginatis, hirfutis, Petalis longioribus, fig. 1.

COROLLA: PETALA quinque, alba, nitida, ad basin

fere partita, fig. 3, 4, 5.
STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque, alba, inter Petala locata, Glandula ad basin instructa; ANTHERÆ fubrotundæ, purpurascentes, fig. 5, 6.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN fubovatum; STYLI tres fili-

formes; STIGMATA fimplicia, fig. 7.
PERICARPIUM: CAPSULA unilocularis, in valvulas fex dehifcentes, fig. 8.
SEMINA octo ad quindecem, fubreniformia, afpera, e

fusco-aurantiaca, pedicellis receptaculo connexa, fig. 9, 10, auct.

ROOT annual, fibrous, capillary. STALKS numerous, tender, round, ftriking root here and there, branched, jointed and ftringy, hairy

on one fide only, growing thicker towards the top. LEAVES of a pointed oval shape, smooth, slightly hairy at the edges, the lowermost standing on foot-stalks, the uppermost fessile, connate.

FOOT-STALKS of the leaves broadest at bottom, and

hairy.
FOOT-STALKS of the flowers, each fuftaining one flower, proceeding from the bosoms of the leaves, hairy, when the flowering is over hanging

hairy, when the flowering is over hanging down, finally becoming upright.

CALYX: a Perianthium of five leaves, each of which is lanceolate, concave, flightly keel-fhaped at bottom, with a margin at the edge, hairy, and longer than the Petals, fig. 1.

COROLLA confifts of five white fining Petals, divided nearly to the base, fig. 3, 4, 5.

STAMINA: five white Filaments, placed betwixt the Petals, furnished at bottom with a little Gland; Antheræ roundish, of a purplish

Gland; ANTHERÆ roundish, of a purplish colour, fig. 5, 6.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN somewhat oval; Styles three,

filiform; STIGMATA fimple, fig. 7.
SEED-VESSEL a CAPSULE of one cavity, fplitting

into fix valves, fig. 8.

SEEDS from eight to fifteen, fomewhat kidney-shaped, of a brownish orange colour, with a rough surface, connected to the receptacle by little foot-stalks, fig. 9, 10, magnified.

CHICKWEED being a plant which will grow in almost any situation, is consequently liable to assume many different appearances: when it grows in a rich soil, and shady situation, it will frequently become so large as to resemble the Cerassium aquaticum; while at other times, on a dry barren wall, its leaves and stalks will be so minute, as to make the young botanist take it for some species different from the common Chickweed: happily however it affords marks which if attended to, will readily distinguish it from the Cerassium, and every other plant: exclusive of its differing from the Cerassium in its generic character, its Petals are shorter than the leaves of its Calyx; while in the Cerassium they are longer; hence a considerable difference will be observable at first sight in the size of the slowers of these two plants: and from all other plants related to it, it may be distinguished by the singular appearance of its stalk, which is alternately hairy on one side only.

The most common number of its Stamina with us is sive; yet I have often seen it with less, and sometimes with more; and this inconstancy in the number of its Stamina has been noticed by most botanic writers: Gouan, in his Flor. Monspel. mentions from 3 to 10, with as many Pissilla; this circumstance with respect to the number of its Stamina, unfortunately separates it from other plants with which it appears to have by nature a very near relation: but as five Stamina appear to be its most constant number, Linnæus could not have placed it amongst those plants with ten Stamina, without doing violence to his system.

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Of annual plants there are few more troublesome: it sows itself plentifully in the summer, and remains green throughout the winter, slowering during the whole time, if the weather be mild: but its chief season for flowering is in the spring. In rich garden mould, where the ground is highly cultivated, and in the fields about town, it does a deal of mischief: by the quickness of its growth and the great number of its shoots, it covers and choaks many young plants; hence it should be carefully weeded from dunghills.

The feeds are very beautiful, and have the greatest affinity to those of the Cerasium aquaticum.

When the flowers first open, the foot-stalks which support them are upright; as the flowers go off they hang down; and when the feeds become ripe, they again become erected.

Linneus has observed that the flowers open from nine in the morning till noon, unless rain falls on the same day, in which case they do not open: from what little observations I have made on this plant, it is not subject to be affected precifely in the same manner here, having seen in the month of March, the blossoms continue rather widely expanded after repeated showers of rain.

It is considered as a wholesome food for Chicken and small Birds, whence, as Ray observes, it has obtained its name: boiled it resembles Spinach so exactly as searcely to be distinguished from it, and is equally wholesome, being a plant which may be procured almost any where very early in the spring, it may be no bad substitute where Spinach so other greens are not to be had in plenty, and much preferable to Nettle-tops and other plants which the lower fort of people seek after in the sping with so much avidity. Swine are very fond it, and prefer it to Turnep-tops. It is eaten by many Insects, particularly by the Caterpillar of the Phalena Villica or Cream spot Tyger Moth, and other hairy

CROSS-LEAVED HEATH. ERICA TETRALIX.

ERICA Linnæi Gen. Pl. OCTANDRIA MONOGYNIA.

Cal. 4-phyllus. Cor. 4-fida. Filamenta receptaculo inserta. Antheræ bisidæ. Caps. 4-locularis.

Raii Syn. Arbores et Frutices.

ERICA tetralix foliis quaternis ciliatis, floribus capitatis imbricatis.

ERICA tetralix, antheris aristatis, corollis ovatis, stylo incluso, foliis quaternis ciliatis, floribus capitatis. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. p. 302. Fl. Suecic. n. 337.

ERICA ex rubro nigricans scoparia. Bauhin Pin. 486.

ERICA Brabantica folio Coridis hirfuto quaterno. I. B. 1. 358.

ERICA pumila Belgarum Lobelio, scoparia nostras. Parkinson. 1482.

ERICA major flore purpureo. Gerard emac. 1382 Raii Syn. p. 471, Low Dutch Heath or Besome Heath. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 144. Oeder Fl. Dan. icon. 81.

FOLIA quaterna, ovato-linearia, patentia, prope flores cauli adpressa, marginibus inflexis, ciliatis, ciliis glandula terminatis, superficie superiore plana, inferiore concava.

FLORES fecundi, imbricati, in capitulum congesti,

CALYX: PERIANTHIUM hexaphyllum, foliolis hirfutis, duo inferiora ovato-lanceolata, cætera linearia, fig. 2.

COROLLA ovata, monopetala, ore quadrifido, laciniis reflexis, fig. 3.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA octo, fubulata, alba, corollà breviora, receptaculo inferta; ANTHERÆ fagittatæ, conniventes, purpureæ, biforaminosæ, bicornes, fig. 4, 5, 6.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN cylindraceum, fubfulcatum, villosum, glandulà ad basin cinctum, fig. 7, 8; Stylus filisormis, purpurascens, fig. 9; Stig-MA, obtusum, fig. 10.

PERICARPIUM: CAPSULA subrotunda, villosa, apice truncata, quadrivalvis, fig. 11, 12.

SEMINA plurima, minuta, flavescentia, fig. 13, 14.

CAULES fruticofi, dodrantales aut pedales, ramofi, * STALKS fhrubby, about nine or twelve inches high, fusci, scabriusculi ex relictamentis soliorum. branched, roughish from the remains of the leaves which have fallen off.

LEAVES growing by fours, of an oval-linear shape, fpreading, near the flowers pressed close to the stalk, the edges turned in and ciliated or hairy, each of the hairs terminating in a fmall round globule, the upper furface flat, the inferior furface concave.

FLOWERS hanging down one over another all one way, forming a little head, of a pale red colour.

CALYX: a Perianthium of fix leaves, the leaves hairy, the two lowermost of an oval-pointed shape, the rest linear, fig. 2.

COROLLA oval, monopetalous, the mouth divided into four fegments, which turn back, fig. 3.

STAMINA: eight FILAMENTS, tapering, white, fhorter than the Corolla, inferted into the receptacle; Anther & arrow-shaped, closing together, purple, having two apertures for the discharge of the Pollen, and two little horns, fig. 4, 5. 6.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN cylindrical, flightly grooved, villous, surrounded at bottom by a gland, fig. 7, 8; STYLE filiform, purplish, fig. 9. STIGMA blunt, fig. 10.

SEED-VESSEL: a roundish Capsule covered with a kind of down, cut off as it were at top, having four valves, fig. 11, 12.

Š SEEDS numerous, minute, and yellowish, fig. 13, 14.

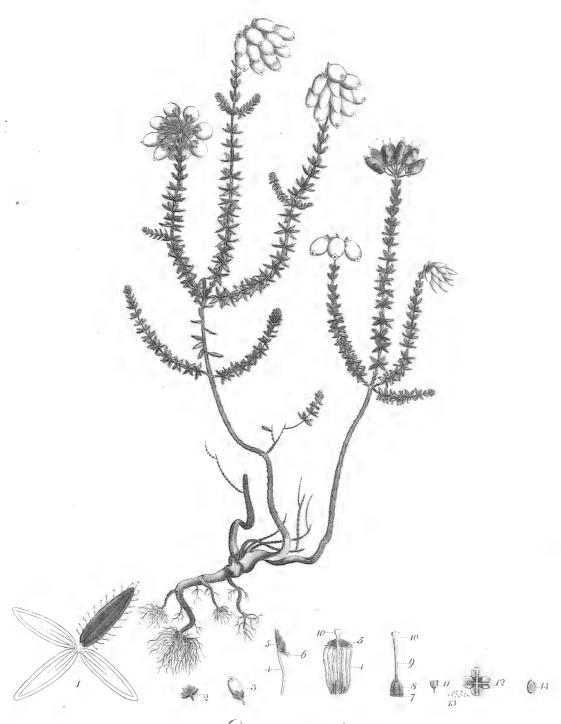
THIS species of *Heath*, though not applicable to such a variety of uses as some of the others, is not inferior to any of them in the beauty and delicacy of its slowers, which in general are of a pale red colour,

but fometimes they occur entirely white.

It is obviously enough distinguished from the rest, not only by its flowers growing in a kind of pendulous cluster on the tops of the stalks, but by its leaves also, which growing by fours on the stalk, form a kind of cross; these are edged with little stiff hairs, each of which has a small globule at its extremity.

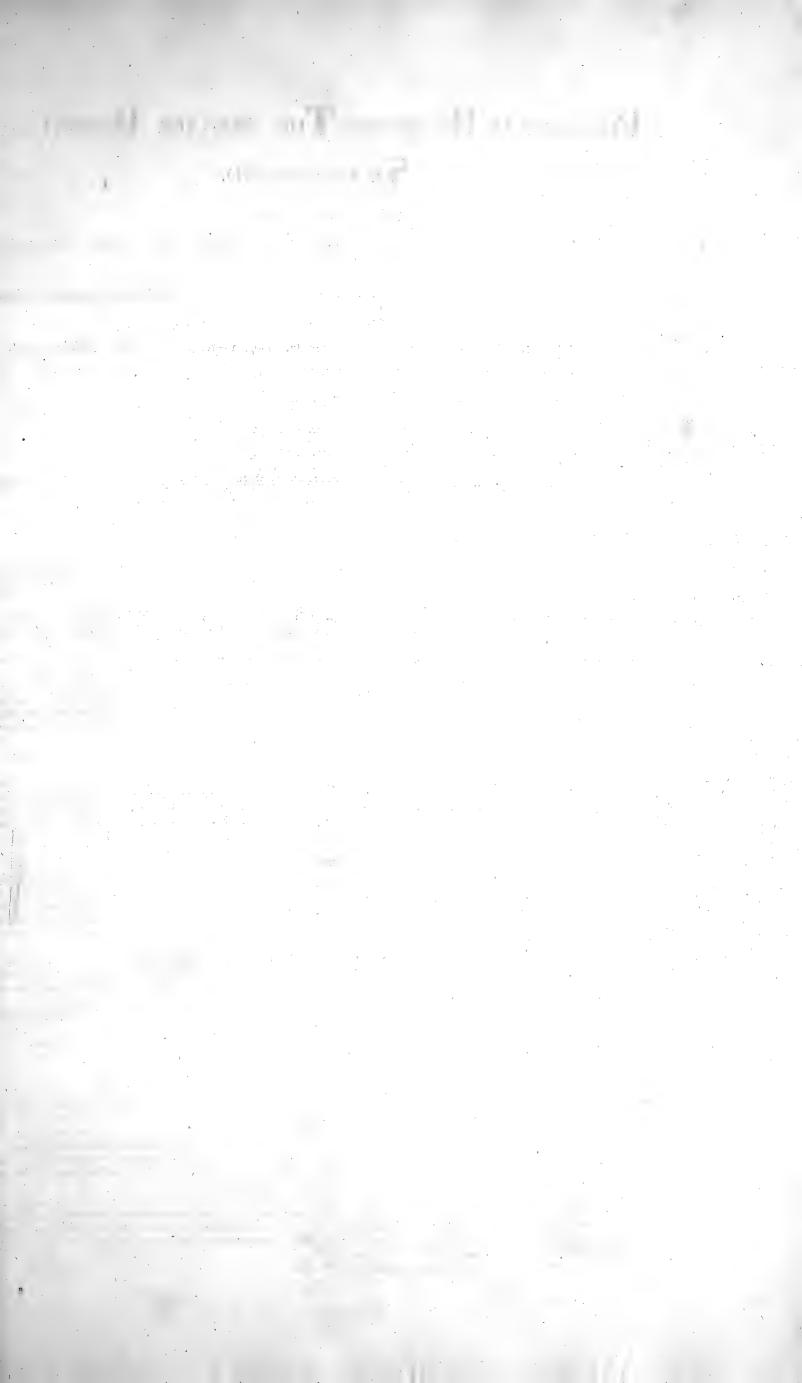
At the latter end of the Summer it contributes its share with the others to decorate and enliven those large tracts of barren land which too often meet the eye in many parts of this kingdom.

It delights to grow in a moister situation than some of the others, and will thrive well enough in gardens, if taken up either in Spring or Autumn with a quantity of earth about its roots; this is necessary, as the Heaths - in general bear transplanting ill.



Orica tetralix?





POLYGONUM BISTORTA. THE GREATER BISTORT OR

SNAKE-WEED.

POLYGONUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. OCTANDRIA TRIGYNIA.

Raii Synopfis, Genus quintum. HERBÆ FLORE IMPERFECTO SEU STAMINEO, (VEL APETALO POTIUS.)

POLYGONUM Bistorta caule simplicissimo, monostachyo, foliis ovatis in petiolum decurrentibus. Linnæi Syft. Vegetab. p. 311.

POLYGONUM radice lignofa contorta, spica ovata, foliorum petiolis alatis. Haller. Hist. v. 2. 258.

COLUBRINA Seu Serpentaria fœmina. Fuschii icon. 774.

SERPENTARIA mas five Bifforta. Fuschii icon. 773.

BISTORTA major radice minus intorta. Baubin. Pin. 192.

BISTORTA major radice magis intorta. Bauhin. Pin. 192.

BISTORTA major Gerard emac 399. major vulgaris Parkinson 391. Raii Synopsis 147. Hudson. Fl. Angl. 146. Flor. Dan. Ic. 421.

RADIX perennis, craffitie digiti, plus minusve in- ROOT perennial, the thickness of one's finger, more or torta, externe castanea, interne carnea, fibris et stolonibus plurimis instructa.

pedalis aut bipedalis, fimplex, fuberectus, folidus, articulatus, (geniculi tumidi) teres, lævis.

STIPULÆ vaginantes, apice membranacæ, marcescentes, ‡ ore obliquo.

FOLIA cordato-lanceolata, undulata, fubtus cærulescentia, glabra, inferiora in petiolos decurrentia, fu-periora amplexicaulia in ftipulas definentia.

FLORES fpicati, fpica oblongo-ovata, denfa.

BRACTEÆ membranaceæ, marcescentes, bissores, bi-valves, valvula inferiore tricuspidata cuspide medio longiore quafi ariftata, flores pedicellati, pedicellis calyce longioribus.

CALYX five COROLLA fubovata, quinquepartita, carnea, laciniis ovatis, obtufis, concavis. fig. 1. 3.

incumbentes. fig. 2.

tres longitudine staminum; STIGMATA parva, rotunda. fig. 5. 6. 7.

nice quasi obductum. fig. 8.

less crooked, externally of a chesnut, internally of a flesh colour, furnished with numerous fibres and creepers.

STALK from one to two feethigh, fimple, nearly upright, folid, jointed, (the joints swelled,) round and ſmooth.

STIPULÆ enclosing the Stalk as in a sheath, at top membranous, withered, the mouth oblique.

LEAVES: the bottom leaves formewhat heart shaped and pointed; waved at the edges, fmooth, underneath blueish and continued down the footstalks, the upper leaves embracing the stalk, and terminating in the stipulæ.

FLOWERS growing thickly in a spike, the spike of an oblong oval shape.

FLORAL LEAVES membranous, and withered, containing two flowers and having two valves, the lower valve three pointed, the middle point running out into a kind of arifta or beard, the flowers growing on footstalks which are longer than the Calyx.

CALYX or COROLLA, of an oval shape and flesh coloured, divided into five segements, which are

oval, obtufe, and concave. fig. 1. 3.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA octo, fubulata, alba, corollà STAMINA: eight FILAMENTS, tapering, white, and longiora, Antheræ biloculares, purpurafcentes, longer than the Calyx; the Antheræ bilocular, purplish, and laying across the filaments.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN triquetrum, fanguineum, STYLI PISTILLUM the GERMEN three square, of a deep red colour, three STYLES the length of the Stamina; the STIGMATA small and round.

rotunda. fig. 5. 6. 7.

NECTARIUM: glandulæ rubræ in fundo calycis, fig. 4.

NECTARIUM: feveral fmall red glands in the bottom of the Calyx. fig. 4.

SEMEN triquetrum, fuscum, mucronatum, nitens, ver- \$ SEED: triangular, brown, pointed, and shining as it varnished. fig. 8.

WHEN a Plant not intended to be cultivated, in any respect prevents the growth of one which is the object of Cultivation, such a plant, however beautiful, may with propriety be called a Weed; nor will the elegance or utility of the Bistort, secure it in the estimation of the Farmer, from that appellation.

This Plant generally grows in moist Meadows, and slowers in May and June; when it has once taken root, it propagates very fast, and frequently will form large patches, to the exclusion of a considerable portion of the Grass; nor is it destroyed but with the greatest difficulty. Happily, our Farmers about Town are pretty much strangers to this Plant, as it is met with but rarely. It grows plentifully in a Meadow by the side of Bistop's Wood near Hampstead, and my obliging Friend Dr. Allen informs me he has found it about Battersea.

As an aftringent Medicine, the Bistort appears to possess considerable virtue, and as such may with propriety be

As an aftringent Medicine, the Biftort appears to possess considerable virtue, and as such may with propriety be made use of in all cases where aftringents are required; but more particularly in long continued evacuations from the Bowels, and other discharges both serous and sanguineous. It is recommended also to fasten teeth which are loose, and may be used either in powder, insusion, or extract. If it could be procured in sufficient quantity to make it answer, it might well be applied to the purpose of tanning Leather.

In some parts of England the leaves are eat as a Pot-herb.









Polygonum Persicaria. Common spotted PERSICARIA.

POLYGONUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. Octandria Trigynia.

HERBÆ FLORE IMPERFECTO SEU STAMINEO, VEL APETALO POTIUS. Raii Syn. Gen. 5 HERBÆ FLORE IMPERFECTO SEU STAMINEO, VEL APETALO POTIUS. PollyGONUM Persicaria floribus hexandris semidigynis, pedunculis lævibus, stipulis ciliatis, spicis ovato-

oblongis erectis.

POLYGONUM Persicaria floribus hexandris digynis, spicis ovato-oblongis, foliis lanceolatis, stipulis ciliatis, Lin. Syst. Vegetab. p. 312. Flor. Suecic. p. 130.

POLYGONUM foliis ovato-lanceolatis, subhirsutis, spicis ovatis, vaginis ciliatis. Haller. bist. Helv. v. 2. p. 257.

PERSICARIA mitis maculosa et non maculosa. Baubin. Pin. p. 101.

PERSICARIA maculosa Gerard. emac. 445. vulgaris mitis seu maculosa. Parkinson. 856. Raii Syn. ed. 3. p. 145.

n. 4. Dead or spotted Arsmart. Hudson Flor. Angl. p. 147. n. 4. Scopoli Fl. C. rniol p. 279.

RADIX fimplex, fibrofa.

fpeciei non propria.

RAMI alterni, e fingulo geniculo prodeuntes, patentes, fæpe diffusi.

STIPULÆ vaginantes, liquore viscido sæpe repletæ, ciliatæ.

FOLIA lanceolata, fubpetiolata, margine nervoque medio fubhirfutis, utrinque lævia, macula ferrum equinum quodammodo referente sæpius notata.

PEDUNCULI læves.

FLORES spicati, rosei, Spicæterminales, erectæ, subovatæ.

CALYX: Perianthium quinquepartitum, coloratum, persistens, segmentis ovatis obtusis, fig. 1, 2.

COROLLA nulla.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA fex fundo calycis inferta longitudine corollæ Antheræ rubentes, fig. 2.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN ovatum, compressum, aut triquetrum, fig. 3, 6. STYLUS ad medium ufque bifidus feepe trifidus, fig. 5, 8. STIGMATA duo aut tria fubrotunda, fig. 4, 7.

SEMEN unicum, nitidum, aut fubovatum, acuminatum,

ad unum latus leviter convexum; 19.9, 11, aut trigonum, fig. 10, 12.

ROOT fimple and fibrous.

RADIX fimplex, fibrofa.

CAULIS erectus, ad basin aliquando repens, pedalis ad tripedalem, ramosus, teres, glaber, ad geniculos fensim incrassatus, sepe rubens: sub geniculos puncta radicalia discernantur quamvis huic gradually thicker at the joints, often of a red colour: a little beneath each joint some radical resistance are observable, which however are not points are observable, which however are not peculiar to this species.

BRANCHES alternate, proceeding from each joint,

fpreading, frequently very much fo.

STIPULÆ embracing the stalk, frequently full of a vifcid liquid, and terminated by long ciliæ or hairs.

LEAVES lanceolate, with fhort foot-stalks, the edge and midrib slightly hairy, smooth on both sides, in general having a large fpot on the middle of the leaf somewhat like a horse shoe.

FOOT-STALKS of the flowers, fmooth.
FLOWERS growing in fpikes, of a bright rofe colour, the fpikes terminal, upright, of a formewhat oval fhape.

CALYX: a PERIANTHIUM divided into five fegments, coloured, and perfifting the fegments oval and obtuse, fig. 1, 2. COROLLA wanting.

STAMINA: fix FILAMENTS inferted into the bottom

of the Calyx, the length of the Corolla; the Antheræ redub, fig. 2.

PISTILLUM: Germen oval and flat, or three-square, fig. 3, 6. Style divided down to the middle into two, often into three parts, fig. 5, 8. STIGMATA two or three, and round, fig. 4, 7.

SEED one, shining, either of an oval pointed shape and

flightly convex on one fide, fig. 9, 11. or three-square, fig. 10, 12.

The very great fimilarity which exists between the several species of the Polygonums, has occasioned no small degree of trouble to Botanists, in rightly ascertaining the limits of each Species and Variety; a difficulty not to be overcome while Books are consulted more than Nature. Sensible of the truth of this observation, and carnestly defirous of arriving at some certainty on this subject, we have examined a vast number of all the different Species and Varieties of Polygonum which our neighbourhood affords, compared them with one another, fown the feeds, and cultivated many of them; and if we do not deceive ourselves, have reduced some of the more difficult ones to their true Species and Varieties.

As what we relate concerning these plants is no more than the result of the most accurate and repeated investigation, affished by the microscope, we shall be the less concerned because we differ from Authors of the most respectable

Authority.

The writer who gives an account of all the known plants in the universe, cannot be supposed to have the opportunity of being so minute in his enquiries as one who describes the plants of a particular spot, which as they grow

tunity of being so minute in his enquiries as one who describes the plants of a particular spot, which as they grow are constantly the objects of his attention.

We have ventured to alter Linnæus's Specisic description of this plant, which stands thus.

Polygonum storibus hexandris digynis, spicis ovato-oblongis, soliis lanceolatis, stipulis ciliatis. to Polygonum storibus hexandris semidigynis, pedunculis lævibus, stipulis ciliatis, spicis ovato-oblongis erestis.

We have not made this alteration from an idle desire of differing from so great a Man, whom we truly respect and revere, but solely to make the distinctions betwixt those plants more obvious, and thereby add our mite to the general stock of Botanic knowledge. In specific descriptions, the distinguishing marks should as much as possible be contrasted or opposed to each other, in these plants this does not seem to have been sufficiently attended to. What we have principally in view by altering the Specific description is to distinguish it from the Polygonum Pensylvanicum and its varieties, of which there are several, and to which the Polygonum Persicaria in its general habit is exceeding nearly allied.

In all the flowers of this Species which we have examined, the Style has been divided just balf way down, hence we have called the flowers Semidigyni, had it been divided down to the base they would with propriety have been called Digyni. In most of the flowers the Style is divided into two parts, and the Germen is a little convex on each side, in some of the flowers the style is divided into three, hence those flowers might be called Semitrigyni, and when this is the case the Germen is always triangular. In the Polygonum Pensylvanicum the Style is divided nearly to the base, this difference then in the division of the Style, is of considerable consequence in distinguishing the two Species and their varieties from each other.

The footstalks which support the flowers in this Species, are quite smooth, in the Polygonum Pensylvanicum, they are beset with a great number of minute glands, which gives them a manifest roughness, and contributes to characterise that Species.

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The Stipulæ are furnished with long Ciliæ or Hairs, particularly towards the top of the plant, in the Polygonum Pensylvanicum these are wanting. These two plants likewise differ much in the form of their seeds, of which we shall

fpeak more fully in our account of the latter.

The flowers always grow in upright fpikes of an oval shape more or less round; by these two characters this Species is at once distinguished from the Polygonum Hydropiper, the spikes of which are filiform and pendulous.

The leaves are most commonly spotted, but this is neither constant nor peculiar to this Species, and difference of the only some the reliable polygonum than the sound of the second of the second

fize only forms the principle variety to which it is subject.

It grows exceedingly common in all our Ditches, and flowers in August and September; its blossoms are beautiful and last a considerable time, was it not so common, it would probably be thought worthy of a place in our Gardens. No particular virtues or uses are attributed to it.



Pensylvanicum. Pale - flowered Polygonum

PERSICARIA.

POLYGONUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. OCTANDRIA TRIGYNIA.

Raii Syn. Gen. 5. HERBÆ FLORE IMPERFECTO SEU STAMINEO (VEL APETALA POTIUS.)

POLYGONUM floribus hexandris, digynis; stipulis muticis; pedunculis scabris; seminibus utrinque depressis.

POLYGONUM floribus octandris digynis, pedunculis hispidis, foliis lanceolatis, stipulis muticis.

Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. Sp. Plant. p. 519.

PERSICARIA mitis major foliis pallidioribus. D. Bobarti, Dead Arsmart the greater with pale leaves. Raii Syn. ed. 3. p. 145. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 148.

RADIX fibrofa, annua.

CAULIS tripedalis circiter, teres, glaber, fiftulofus, ramofus; rami patentes, geniculis maxime incraffatis.

FOLIA ovato-lanceolata, fupra glabra, fubtus glandulis punctata, fæpe pubescentia, ciliata, nunc ma-culata nunc immaculata.

PETIOLI subtus hirsuti, scabriusculi.

STIPULÆ basi nervosæ, muticæ.

PEDUNCULI pilis brevibus glanduliferis fcabri. fig. 1.

FLORES herbacei, pedunculis brevibus infidentes, denfe glomerati, spicæ ovatæ, seminibus maturis sub-

CALYX: Perianthium quinquepartitum, laciniis ovatis, obtusis, fig. 2, 3.

COROLLA nulla.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA fex, fubulata, alba, Corollà paulo breviora; ANTHERÆ biloculares; Pol-

LEN globosum, fg. 4.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN subovatum; STYLUS fere ad basin divisus; STIGMATA duo subrotunda,

fig. 5, 6. SEMEN cordatum, cordatum, acuminatum, compressum, medio depressum, nitidum, fig. 9, 10, magnit. nat. fig. 7, 8, lente auct. subinde obtuse triquetrum, ROOT fibrous and annual.

STALK about three feet high, round, fmooth, hollow, branched, the branches spreading, and the

joints very much fwelled.

LEAVES of an oval pointed shape, smooth on their upper furface, underneath dotted with small glands, and often downy, edged with little hairs, sometimes with and sometimes without

fpots.
FOOT-STALKS of the leaves hairy underneath, with a flight roughness to the touch.

STIPULÆ rib'd at bottom, and not terminated by any

hairs. FOOT-STALKS of the flowers rough with little glands.

fig. 1.

FLOWERS of a greenish colour, sitting on short footstalks, and growing thickly together; spikes
oval, and when the seeds are ripe drooping

a little.

CALYX: a Perianthium divided into five fegments, which are oval and obtuse, fig. 2, 3

COROLLA wanting.

STAMINA: fix FILAMENTS, tapering, white, a little fhorter than the Corolla; ANTHERÆ bilocular;

Pollen globular, fig. 4.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN fomewhat oval; Style divi-

ded nearly down to the base; STIGMATA two, roundish, fig. 5, 6.

SEED heart-shaped, pointed, flat, with a depression in the middle, shining, fig. 9, 10, of its natural fize, fig. 7, 8, magnified, sometimes obtusely triangular fig. 12. triangular, fig. 12.

The plant here figured, is the Persicaria mitis major foliis pallidioribus, D. Bobarti, and which is particularly described in the 3d. edition of RAY's Synopsis, p. 145: from the consonancy of this description, with that which Linneus had given of the Polygonum Pensylvanicum, in the 3d. edition of his Speices Plantarum, Mr. Hudson set it down in his Flora as that species: and Linneus, in the last edition of his Systema Vegetab. as a confirmation of our English Polygonum's, being the same with his Pensylvanicum, quotes Bobarts's descriptive name.

By RAY, Linneus, and Hudson, then, it is made a distinct species; by Haller it is considered as a variety of the Polygonum Persicaria; but as the Baron forms his judgment from dried specimens that were sent him, in which many of the distinguishing characters of this plant would be unavoidably lost, he seems the most likely to be mistaken: I shall therefore join in making it a distinct species; and I trust shall give such striking additional characters, as will settle this matter beyond dispute.

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The true Polygonum Pensylvanicum (for there are several varieties of it) has the greatest affinity with the Polygonum Persicaria, but differs from it in the following particulars, viz. place of growth, fize, stipulæ, leaves, foot-stalks of

the leaves, foot-stalks of the flowers, style, and feeds.

While the Polygonum Persicaria usually delights to grow by the sides of moist ditches, the Pensylvanicum prefers a richer and more luxuriant soil; and so common is it with us about town, that there is scarce a dunghill on which it

richer and more luxuriant foil; and so common is it with us about town, that there is scarce a dunghill on which it may not be found: indeed in its attachment to this particular soil, it resembles many of the Chenopoliums or Oraches. Was it never to occur in other situations, some might be ready to suspect that it was a variety of the Persicaria arising from richness of soil; but it is frequently found in other places: and I remember once to have seen the Polygonum Persicaria, Hydropiper, and Pensylvanicum, all growing by the side of a stream within six inches of each other.

In its most common state it is much larger than the Polygonum Persicaria, and its joints in particular are more swelled; its Stipulæ are much more strongly rib'd at bottom, and have no Ciliæ; its leaves are broader, the veins somewhat deeper, and more strongly marked; the hairs on the edges of the leaves more visible, but particularly so under the foot-stalk of the leaf, to which they give a manifest roughness: in the uppermost leaves the under side is generally dotted with very minute glands, while in the lowermost it is covered with a kind of down: this last character, though contrary to what Linnæus afferts, is never seen in the Polygonum Persicaria; but in this species it is always more or less predominant. The foot-stalks of the flowers are thickly beset with little yellowish glands, standing on short foot-stalks, which sometimes extend half way down the plant; this appearance never or exceeding rarely occurs in the Polygonum Persicaria: the flowers are of a pale or greenish hue, and form thicker and larger spikes than in the Polygonum Polygonum Perficaria: the flowers are of a pale or greenish hue, and form thicker and larger spikes than in the Polygonum Perficaria, and when ripe are so heavy as frequently to hang down a little: the Style is divided very nearly down to the Germen, while in the Polygonum Perficaria it is divided only half way; and this division of the Style, I look upon as one of the most constant and certain criteria of this species: lastly the form of the seeds contributes not a little to the farther afcertaining and fixing it; in the *Perficaria* the feeds are either triangular, or of a pointed oval shape, with a little *convexity* on each side; in this species it is in general flat, with a depression on each side; it is also larger and broader; now and then a seed occurs forming an unequal triangle, but these are very rare, while the triangular seed is most frequent in the *Polygonum Persicaria*.









Polygonum Pensylvanicum. var. caule maculato. Spotted-stalk'd Persicaria.

PERSICARIA latifolia geniculata, caulibus maculatis. D. Rand. Raii Syn. p. 145.

PERSICARIA maculosa procumbens soliis subtus incanis. Raii Syn. p. 146. eadem est planta solo autem minus læto proveniens.

Such then is the difference, which from repeated examinations, I have been able to discover betwixt the *Polygonum Perficaria* and the *Penfylvanicum* in its most common state; in this state however it does not always occur, but is subject to more Varieties than any of our other *Perficaria's*: without any desire of multiplying them, I make the following, having found them all about *London*:

1 Polygonum Penfylvanicum. var. caule et floribus rubris. 2 caule maculato. 3 folüs fubtus incanis.

The first of these varieties is very often found with the true species on dunghills, as also in corn-fields, and is like it in every respect excepting its colour, the stalks and flowers being red, but not so beautifully bright as those of the Polygonum Persicaria.

The fecond variety here figured, which indeed comes near to a distinct species, grows much in the same situations, and oftentimes with the Polygonum Persicaria in the ditches about St. Georges-fields, particularly in a large ditch on the right-hand side of the road between the end of Blackman-Street and Newington, where it is very common in the month of September. It not only differs from the other in having its stalk spotted with red, a character which it keeps very constantly, but its spikes are much slenderer, rather more so even than those of the Persicaria, of a red colour, but not quite so bright as those of that plant: the under side of the foot-stalk of the leaves is remarkably rough; the little glands on the foot-stalks of the flowers, and the parts of the fructification are similar to those of the true species, but the seeds are smaller: when this variety grows in the rich soil abovementioned, it is still as large as the Pensylvanicum itself; but when it grows in a different soil and situation, as on the watery parts of Blackbeath and Peckham-Rye, it becomes much smaller, generally has its leaves white underneath, and will certainly be taken for the Polygonum Persicaria is not attentively examined: its spotted stalk and the roughness of the foot-stalks of the leaves will however readily discover it.

The third variety, with leaves hoary on the under fide, is found here and there in corn-fields and other places, where the foil is not very rich, and is obviously enough distinguished.

Besides these striking varieties, it is subject, like all other plants, to vary in fize according to the richness or poverty of the ground on which it grows, and like the *Polygonum Persicaria*, its leaves are sometimes spotted and sometimes not.

This descriptive account will perhaps appear tedious and uninteresting to some; if however by these practical obfervations, the obscurity which has hitherto dwelt on this difficult Genus, shall in some degree be removed, and the road of investigation made easier to the young Botanist, I shall think my time usefully employed; I would not however wish him to take upon trust what is here advanced, but to examine each plant and its several parts for himself; thus he will become improved, and be able perhaps to throw a still greater light on the subject.

The Sparrow and other small Birds are very fond of the seeds of this species and its varieties: but the Farmer should carefully weed them from his dunghills.

Polygonum Hydropiper. Biting Persicaria or

WATER PEPPER.

POLYGONUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. OCTANDRIA TRIGYNIA.

Cal. o. Cor. 5-partita, calycina. Sem. 1, angulatum.

Rai Syn. Gen. Herbæ flore imperfecto seu Stamineo vel apetalo potius.

POLYGONUM Hydropiper floribus hexandris semidigynis; foliis lanceolatis, undulatis, immaculatis; fpicis filiformibus nutantibus.

POLYGONUM Hydropiper floribus hexandris semidigynis, foliis lanceolatis, stipulis submuticis. Lim. Syst. Vegetab. p. 312.

POLYGONUM foliis ovato lanceolatis, spicis florigeris, vaginis calvis. Haller. bift. p. 256. n. 1554.

POLYGONUM Hydropiper. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. n. 467.

PERSICARIA urens seu Hydropiper. Bauhin. pin. 101.

PERSICARIA vulgaris acris feu minor. Parkinson. 856.

HYDROPIPER. Gerard. emac. 445. Raii Syn. p. 144. Water-pepper, Lakeweed or Arsmart. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 148.

RADIX annua, fibrofa.

CAULIS erectus, ramosus, basi nonnunquam repens, pedalis ad tripedalem, geniculis incraffatis, demum ruberrimus.

FOLIA lanceolata, undulata, e viridi flavescentia, glabra.

STIPULÆ ciliatæ.

FLORES spicati, spicæ tenues, demum nutantes.

CALYX: Perianthium quadripartitum, glandulis minimis adspersum, laciniis obtusis, concavis, sig.

COROLLA nulla.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA fex alba; Antheræ albæ biloculares, fig. 3.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN ovatum; STYLUS bifidus, ad

medium usque divisus; STIGMATA duo, rotunda, fig. 4, 5.

SEMEN ovato-acuminatum, castaneum, fig. 6.

ROOT annual and fibrous.

STALK upright, branched, fometimes creeping at bottom, from one to three feet high, the joints fwelled, finally becoming very red.

LEAVES lanceolate, waved, of a yellowish green colour and fmooth.

STIPULÆ ciliated.

FLOWERS growing in spikes, which are slender and finally drooping.

CALYX: a Perianthium divided into sour segments,

fprinkled with very minute glands, the segments blunt and hollow, fig. 1, 2, 3.

COROLLA wanting STAMINA fix white FILAMENTS; ANTHERÆ white and bilocular, fig. 3.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN oval; STYLE bifid, divided

down to the middle; two round STIGMATA,

fg. 4, 5. SEEDS of an oval pointed shape, and chesnut colour, fig. 6.

It is one of the maxims laid down by the Author of that fystem of Botany which at present is so deservedly held in esteem, and which I trust for the sake of this delightful science will for ever withstand the attempts of all those who frame fystems merely to raise themselves into consequence, that in all specific descriptions taste is to be excluded: some may perhaps be ready to treat this as too dogmatical, but when they come to find that both the Hydropiper and Sedum acre, plants which in general are very hot and biting, sometimes are found insipid, they will readily adopt it as sounded in strict propriety.

The present species of Polygonum very properly receives its name of Hyaropiper from its hot and biting taste, which appears to arise from its essential oil dispersed in little cells or glands all over the plant, but more particularly observable on the Calyx with a small magnifier, and which, if tasted, will be found to be more biting than any other part of the plant: this quality which is peculiar to the Hydropiper, generally leaves a strong Idea of the plant on the mind of the Tyro: but it is has other more invariable characters whereby it may be distinguished. Notwithstanding its obvious difference from the other plants of this genus, apparent even to such as know very little of Botany, both Scopoli and Haller seem to entertain doubts whether it be really distinct from the P. Persicaria and P. minus. and P. minus.

The three plants as they usually grow, and I have seen them all three grow together, are certainly distinct enough: but there are some intermediate varieties which bring them very near together, and perhaps justify such suspicions: a variety of the Hydropiper, scarce differing in any other respect but its insipidity, I have now and then met with in the same situation as we usually find the true species: from the P. Persicaria it differs principally in its leaves, spikes, form and size of its seeds; and first its leaves are of a yellower hue, more undulated, and never marked with any spots; its spikes are slender, and when the seeds are ripe they bend and hang down; the seeds are much larger, more acuminated, and of a chesnut colour; its stipulæ are very evidently ciliated; though Haller makes their want of ciliæ one of its striking characters; and Linnæus also calls them submuticæ, which certainly tends to missed.

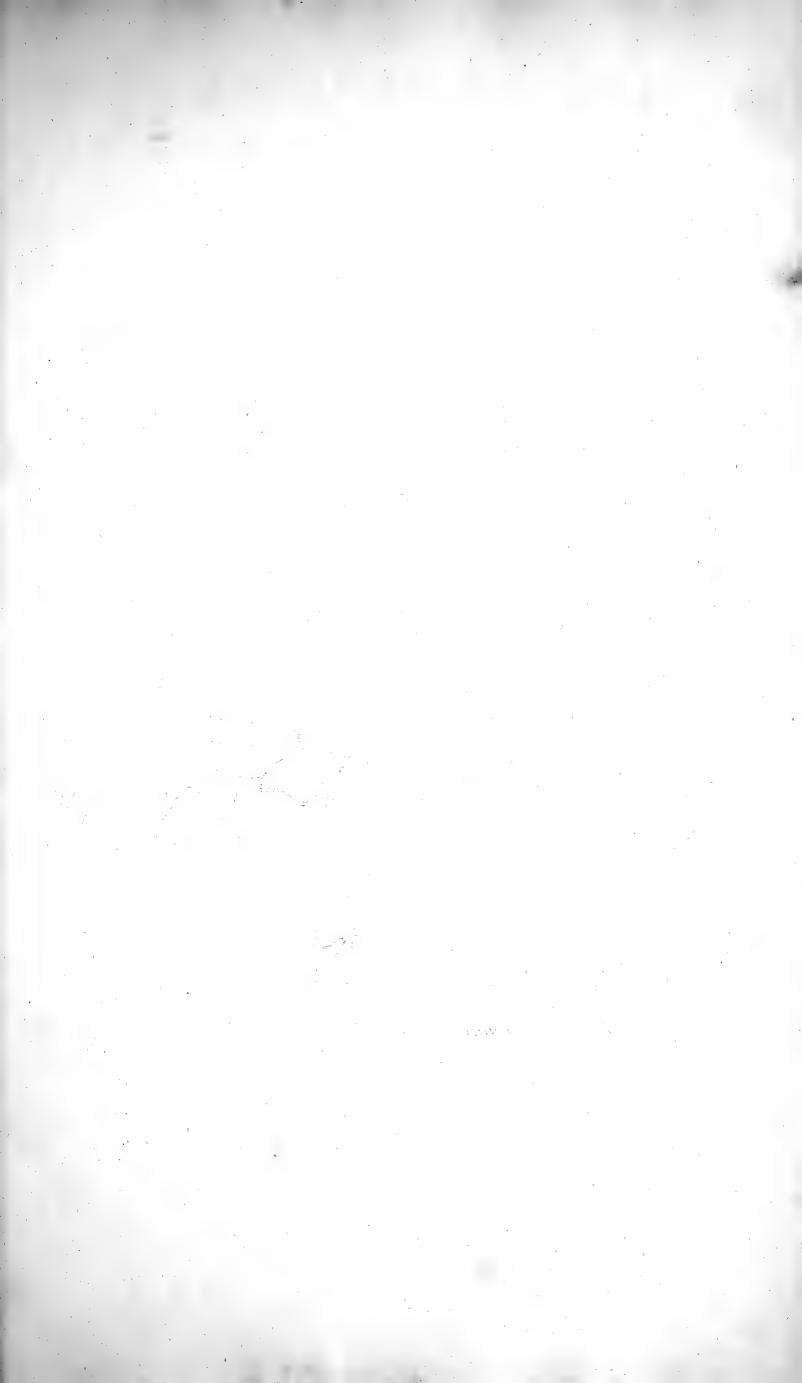
It is the only *Perficaria* that has any pretentions to be an active medicine: given in infution or decoction it proves diuretic, hence it is made use of in the Dropfy and Jaundice; and the distilled water of it is recommended by BOYLE as efficacious in the Stone and Gravel: LINNEUS informs us that the plant will dye Woolen cloth of a yellow colour.

Although the herb is so acrid, the seeds are insipid and nutritive.

It is found in great abundance in all those places which lie under water during the Winter, slowers in September, generally a month later than the *P. Persicaria*: in exposed places it becomes very red in going off.









KNOT-GRASS.

POLYGONUM Linnæi Gen Pl. OCTANDRIA TRIGYNIA.

Cal. O. Cor. 5-partita, Calycina. Sem. 1. angulatum.

Raii Syn. Gen. 5. HERBÆ FLORE IMPERFECTO SEU STAMINEO. (VEL APETALA POTIUS.)

POLYGONUM avicuare floribus octandris trigynis axillaribus, foliis lanceolatis, caule procumbento herbaceo. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. p. 312. Sp. Pl. 519. Fl. Suecic. n. 339.

POLYGONUM procumbens, foliis linearibus, acutis, floribus folitariis. Haller hift. n. 1560.

POLYGONUM aviculare. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. n. 471.

POLYGONUM mas vulgare. Gerard emac. 451.

POLYGONUM mas vulgare majus. Parkinson 443.

POLYGONUM seu Centinodia. I. Baubin 3. 374. Raii Syn. p. 146. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 149.

RADIX annua, fimplex, lignofa, multis fibris donata, * ROOT annual, fimple, woody, furnished with many terram firmiter apprehendens ut extirpatu diffi- * fibres, taking strong hold of the earth, so as to terram firmiter apprehendens ut extirpatu difficilis sit, sapore adstringente.

CAULES plures, plerumque procumbentes, interdum vero fuberecti, dodrantales, ramofi, tenues, ftriati, læves, teretes, geniculati, ad geniculos paululum incraffati.

FOLIA quam maxime variantia, ovata, lanceolata aut etiam linearia, alterna, lævia, e vaginis stipularum prodeuntia.

STIPULÆ vaginantes, membranaceæ, albidæ, nitidæ, apice fibrofæ.

FLORES axillares, e vaginis stipularum cum foliis

CALYX: Perianthium quinquepartitum, laciniis ovatis concavis, patentibus, dimidio inferiore viridi, superiore albo, sæpe colorato, sig. 1, 2.

COROLLA nulla.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA octo corolla breviora; An-THERÆ flavæ, fig. 2, auct.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN triquetrum; Stylus longitudine staminum, trifidus; Stigmata tria, rotunda, fig. 3, auct.

be with difficulty pulled up, and of an aftringent taste.

STALKS feveral, generally procumbent, fometimes nearly upright, about nine inches in length, branched, flender, ftriated, fmooth, round, jointed, the joints a little fwelled.

LEAVES varying exceedingly, oval, lanceolate, or fometimes even linear, alternate, fmooth, proceeding from the sheaths of the Stipulæ.

STIPULÆ forming a sheath round the joints, membranous, white, shining, at top fibrous.

FLOWERS axillary, proceeding with the leaves from the fheaths of the Stipulæ.

CALYX: a Perianthium divided into five fegments, the lacinize oval, concave and fpreading, the lower half green, the upper half white and often coloured, fig. 1, 2.

COROLLA wanting.

STAMINA: eight FILAMENTS shorter than the Corolla, ANTHERÆ yellow, fig. 2, magnified.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN triangular; STYLE the length of the Stamina, trifid; STIGMATA three, round, fig. 3, magnified.

SEMEN triquetrum, nigricans, intra calycem, fig. 4. SEED triangular, of a blackish colour, contained within the Calyx, fig. 4.

Those plants which have been observed to be eaten by cattle, have often obtained the name of Grass, although they have not possessed the least similitude to those which are real Grasses, and the present plant is one of these. Cattle in general are fond of it, and hogs in particular eat it with great avidity. The seeds afford suffenance to many of the small birds, whence it has acquired the name of aviculare. The Caterpillar of the *Phalæna rumicis* (with us the Knot-grass Moth.) I have frequently found feeding on its leaves, although it is by no means confined to this plant: in Sweden, LINNEUS informs us it feeds on the Dock (Rumex.) and Sow-thistle.

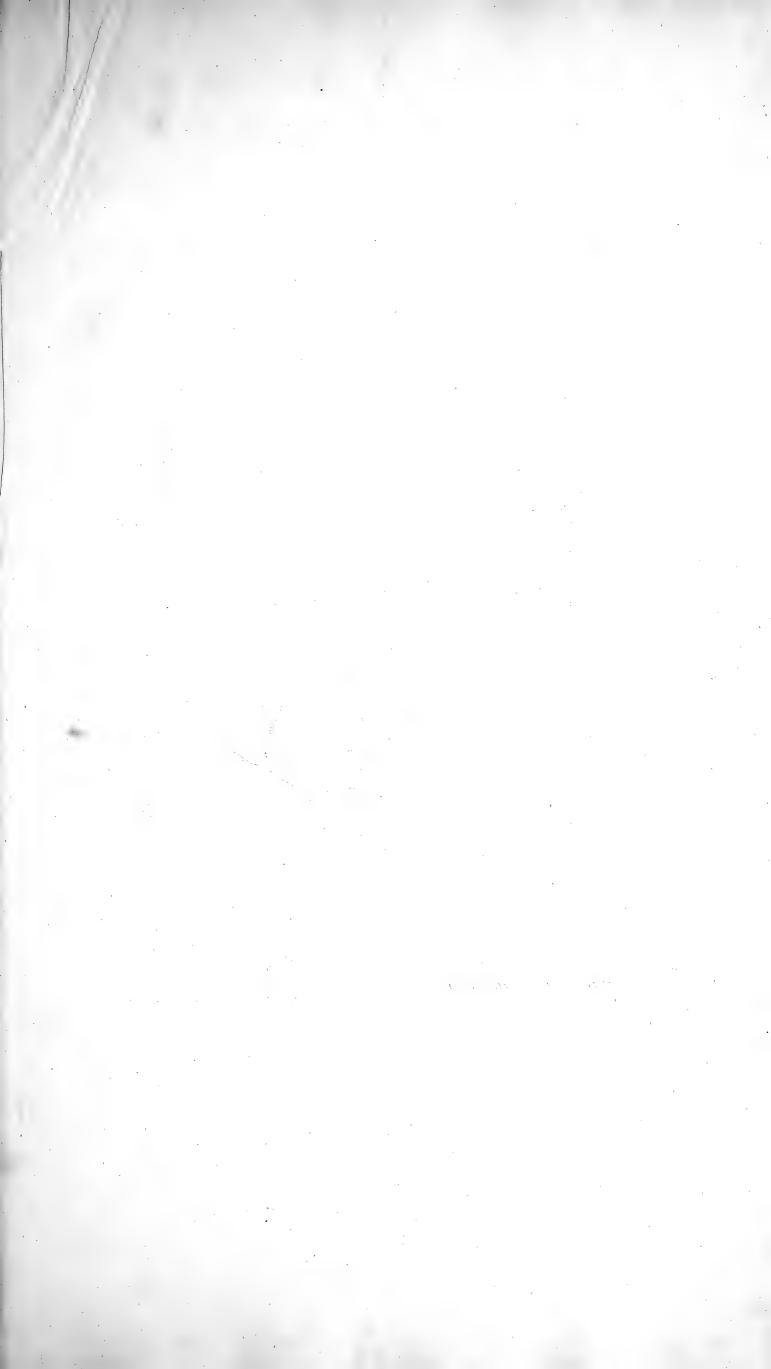
This species of Polygonum may be considered as one of our most common plants; it delights to grow in a fandy or gravelly soil, on banks, and by the sides of roads and paths, being of quick growth, and spreading a great deal of ground; it often covers whole fields, that by turning in of cattle, have had their natural coat of grass destroyed.

Where a plant of this species happens to grow singly in a rich soil, it will often cover the space of a yard or more in diameter, and the leaves become broad, and large; but when it grows very thick together, by the sides of paths, it is in every respect smaller, and the stalks are more upright. It is subject, like most other plants, to several varieties, and of these are the Polygonum brevi angustoque folio, and the Polygonum oblongo angustoque folio of C. Bauhine.

It has been considered by antient writers, as possessing at the nose, and other Hemorrhages; but in the present practice, its use seems justly superseded by more efficacious medicines.

* Vid. Linn, Faun. Succic. p. 318. n. 1200, Roefel, cl. 2. Pap. Noet. t. 27. Albin Infect. pl. 22.







Lolygonum minus.

Polygonum minus. Small, creeping, narrow-leaved PERSICARIA.

POLYGONUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. OCTANDRIA TRIGYNIA.

Cal. o. Cor. 5-partita calycina. Sem. 1, angulatum.

Raii Syn. Gen. 5. HERBÆ FLORE IMPERFECTO SEU STAMINEO VEL APETALA POTIUS.

POLYGONUM minus floribus hexandris, fubmonogynis, foliis lineari-lanceolatis, caule basi repente.

POLYGONUM minus hexandris digynis foliis lanceolatis, stipulis ciliatis, caule divaricato patulo. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 148.

POLYGONUM foliis ovato-lanceolatis, glabris, spicis strigosis, vaginis ciliatis. Haller. bift. p. 257. 11. 1555.

PERSICARIA minor. Baubin Pin. 1014? angustifolia. Baubin Pin. 101. 3?

PERSICARIA pulilla repens Ger. emac. 446. Parkinson. 857. Raii Syn. 145. 2. Small Creeping Arsmart.

PERSICARIA angustifolia ex singulis geniculis florens. Mer. Pin. 90? Raii Syn. 145. 3. Narrowleaved Lakeweed.

RADIX annua, fibrofa.

CAULES plures, dodrantales, aut pedales, basi repentes, demum fuberecti, geniculati, (geniculis paulu-lum incraffatis,) læves, rubicundi.

FOLIA lineari-lanceolata, pene avenia, superne glabra.

STIPULÆ vaginantes, ciliatæ.

SPICÆ tenues, parum nutantes, e fingulis geniculis prodeuntes.

CALYX: PERIANTHIUM quinquepartitum, persistens,

coloratum, laciniis obtufis concavis, fig. 1.

COROLLA nulla.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA fex; ANTHERÆ biloculares,

albæ, intra Corollam.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN ovatum aut triangulare; STY-Lus filiformis, apice bifidus aut trifidus; STIG-

MATA duo aut tria rotunda, reflexa, fig. 2, 3. SEMEN aut ovato-acutum aut triangulare, castaneum, magnitudinis fere et formæ feminis Polygoni Perficariæ, fig. 4, 5. N. B. Omnes partes fructificationis lente augentur.

ROOT annual, and fibrous.

STALKS feveral, about nine inches or a foot high, creeping at bottom, then becoming nearly upright, jointed, (the joints fomewhat thickened,) fmooth, of a reddish colour.

LEAVES betwixt linear and lanceolate, scarcely any ap-

pearance of veins, on thier upper furface smooth.

STIPULÆ forming sheaths round the joints, and ciliated.

SPIKES flender and a little drooping, proceeding from each joint of the stalk.

CALYX: a Perianthium divided into five segments,

which are obtuse and hollow, fig. 1.

COROLLA wanting.

STAMINA fix FILAMENTS; ANTHERÆ bilocular, and white, within the Corolla.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN oval or triangular; STYLE filiform, at top bifid or trifid; STIGMATA two

or three, round and turned back, fig. 2, 3.
SEEDS oval or triangular, of a chefnut colour, nearly of the fame fize and shape as the Polygonum Perficaria, fig. 4, 5.

N. B. All the parts of the fructification are magnified.

If the opportunity of feeing this plant growing wild had ever occured to the celebrated Swedish Botanist, he would doubtless have considered it as a distinct species; at present he has placed it in the last edition of his works, the Systema Vegetabilium, as a variety of the Polygonum Persicaria, probably misled by dried specimens of the plant: those who trust to such are exceeding liable to deceive both themselves and others, particularly in plants whose parts of fructification (from which it is sometimes necessary to draw specific differences) are very minute—those in the living plants are with difficulty enough distinguished, and in dried specimens not to be investigated.

Whoever has observed the appearance which the Polygonum minus and Persicaria usually put on, must have been struck with the great diffimilarity of the two in their general habits; and if they have taken the pains to examine the parts of fructification, they will, I am perswaded, be convinced that both Mr. RAY and Hudson are justifiable in making them diffinct species.

making them distinct species.

It differs from the *Polygonum Perficaria* in its fize, growth of its stalk, shape of its leaves, form of its spikes, and division of its Pistillum. In height it seldom exceeds a foot, whereas the *Persicaria* often occurs a yard high; the stalk of this species creeps at bottom, in the *Persicaria* it never does: it is true in the *Persicaria*, and most of the *Polygonums*, a number of little roots push themselves out at the joints, which are next the ground; but in this species the stalk at bottom is absolutely procumbent, whilst in the *Persicaria* it is always upright; the leaves are much narrower, approaching rather to linear than lanceolate, and on their upper furface have much lefs appearance of veins, rower, approaching rather to linear than lanceolate, and on their upper furface have much left appearance of veins, than in the *Perficaria*; the spikes, instead of being oval or nearly round, and upright, as in the *Perficaria*, are slender and a little drooping: the Pistillum, which is a part of very great consequence in determining many of the species and varieties of this genus, is slightly divided at top only; while that of the *Perficaria* is divided half way down; hence as I have called that species *semidigynous*, I have called this submonogynous.

Hitherto I have met with this plant growing wild no where but in Tothill-fields, Westminster, where it makes ample amends for its scarcity elsewhere, being found in the greatest abundance in the watry parts of those fields, along with the Sisymbrium sylvestre in the month of September, when it is in full bloom.

At present it does not appear that it has any thing more than its scarcity to recommend it to our notice.





Butomus umbellatus. Flowering Rush, or Water Gladiole.

BUTOMUS Linnæi. Gen. Pl. Enneandria Hexagynia.

Raii Syn. Gen. 17. HERBÆ MULTISILIQUÆ SEU CORNICULATÆ.

BUTOMUS umbellatus. Linn. Spec. Plant. p. 532.

JUNCUS floridus major. Bauhin. Pin. p. 12.

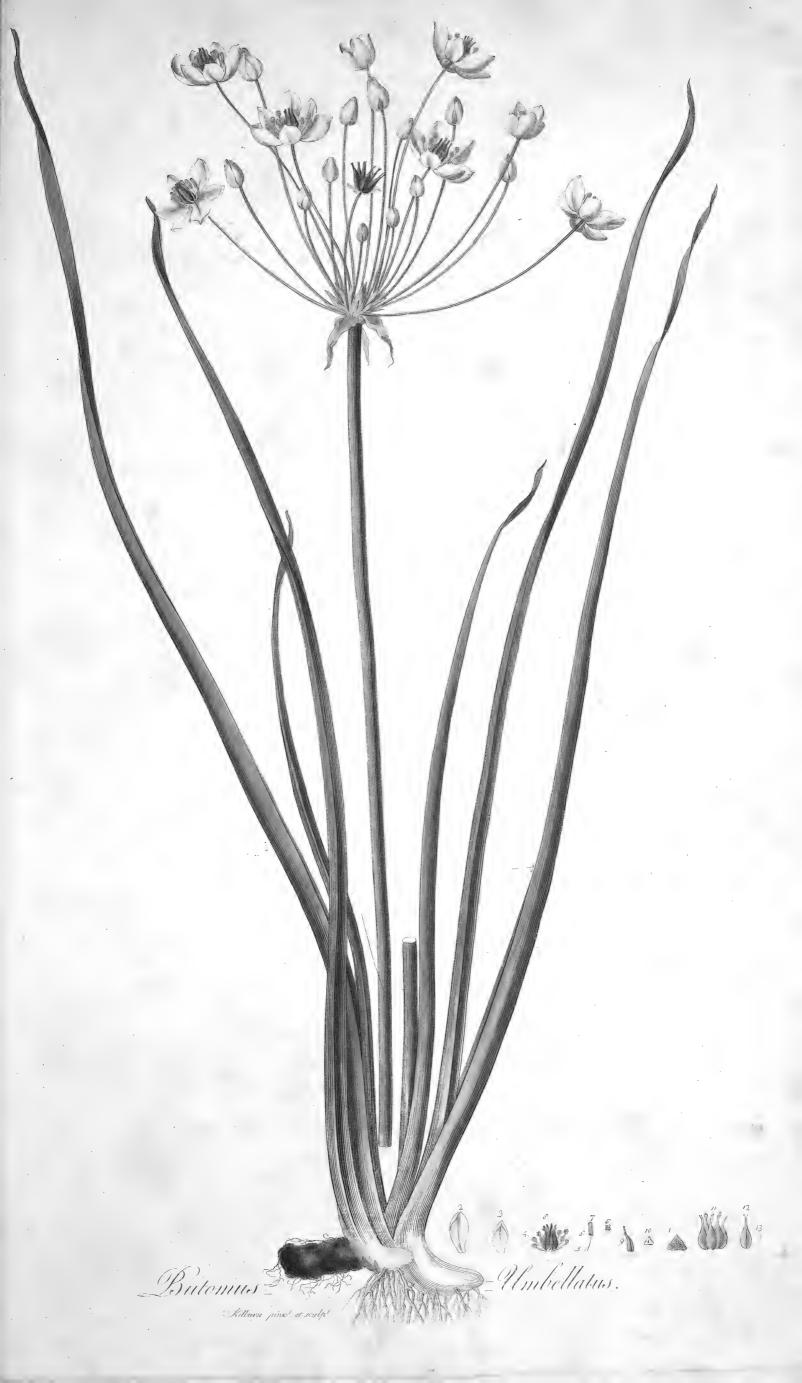
GLADIOLUS palustris Cordi. Gerard. emac. p. 29.

Raii Syn. ed. 3. p. 273. Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 152. Scopoli Flor. Carn. ed. 2. p. 283. Haller. Hift. Pl. Helv. vol. 2. p. 81.

- RADIX perennis, alba, tuberculofa, transversa, edulis? * ROOT perennial, white, knobby, transverse, eatable, ex inferiore parte radiculas prælongas dimit-
- SCAPUS pedalis ad orgyalem, teres, glaber.
- FOLIA triquetra, spongiosa, fig. 1, scapo breviora, ad basin spathacea, apicibus compressis, tortuosis.
- FLORES in UMBELLA, ad triginta; pedunculi digitales, e vaginis membranaceis prodeuntes.
- CALYX: Involuceum triphyllum, foliolis lanceolatis, \$ marcescentibus.
- COROLLA: Petala fex, inæqualia, fubrotunda, concava, rosea, fig. 2, alternis minoribus, acutioribus, fig. 3.
- STAMINA: FILAMENTA novem, fubulata, fig. 4, 5. ANTHERÆ infidentes, dum pollinem involvunt oblongæ, rubræ, quadrifulcatæ, mucrone brevi terminatæ, fig. 6, 7, emiflo polline fubcordatæ, compreflæ, bilamellofæ, fig. 4: POLLEN flavissimum.
- PISTILLUM: GERMEN subtriangulare, latere exte- * PISTILLUM: the GERMEN nearly triangular, the riore latiore, convexo, fig. 9, 10: STYLI fex fubulati, fig. 8: STIGMA canaliculatum.
- PERICARPIUM: CAPSULÆ fex, oblongæ, attenuatæ, erectæ, univalves, apice bilabiatæ, introrfum dehifcentes, fig. 11, 12.
- SEMINA plurima, minuta, oblonga, fufca, fig. 13. * SEEDS numerous, fmall, oblong, brown, fig. 13.

- from its under fide fending down a great number of very long fibres.
- STALK round, fmooth, from one to five or fix feet high, according to its place of growth.
- LEAVES triangular, fpongy, fig. 1, shorter than the stalk, at bottom sheathy, at top flat, and twisted.
- FLOWERS numerous, to thirty, each on a fingle peduncle of about a finger's length, forming an UMBELL, furrounded at bottom by withered membranous sheaths.
- CALYX: an Involucrum of three leaves, spear shaped, and withered.
- COROLLA: composed of fix Petals, which are roundish, concave, and most commonly of a bright red, fig. 2: the three exterior smaller, and more pointed, fig. 3.
- STAMINA: nine FILAMENTS, tapering, fig. 4, 5.
 ANTHERÆ fitting on the filaments, before the fhedding of the Pollen, oblong, reddifh, having four grooves, and terminated by a fhort point, fig. 6, 7, appearing afterwards fomewhat heart-shaped, flat, and as if composed of two lamellæ, fig. 4: the POLLEN is of a bright yellow colour.
- outer fide broad and roundish, fig. 9, 10: fix STYLES, tapering: the STIGMA has a small channel in it, which afterwards spreads into two lips, fig. 11, 12.
- SEED-VESSEL: fix Capsules, oblong, tapering, upright, of one valve, opening inwards, fig. 11, 12.

WE find this stately plant, in and by the sides of our watery ditches, slowering from July to September. A few years since, it was sound growing in St. George's Fields; but the improvements making in that, and other parts adjacent to London, now oblige us to go farther in search of this, and many other curious plants. About the Island of St. Helena, near Deptford, and in the Marshes by Blackwall, it is found in great abundance, although very scarce in many other parts of Great Britain. Fish ponds, or other pieces of water, would derive great beauty from the introduction of this elegant native of our Isle; the handsome appearance of which, did not escape our countryman, old Gerard, who describes it thus: "The Water Gladiole, or Grassy Rush, of all others, is the fairest and most pleasant to behold, and serveth very well for the decking and trimming up of houses, because of the beautie and braverie thereof."—That accurate observer Ray, describes its nine Stamina, although in his time, they were not viewed in that consequential light which they are in our present Systems of Botany. It is the only plant of the class Enneandria, which grows wild in this kingdom. If vegetables were classed according to their natural affinities, this would rank among the Lilies. Cattle do not eat it. It is so hardy as to bear the cold of Lapland.







WHITE SAXIFRAGE. SAXIFRAGA GRANULATA

SAXIFRAGA Linnæi Gen. Pl. DECANDRIA DIGYNIA.

Calyx quinquepartitus. Corolla pentapetala. Capsula birostris, unilocularis,

Raii Syn. Herbæ pentapetalæ vasculiferæ.

SAXIFRAGA granulata foliis caulinis reniformibus lobatis, caule ramolo, radice granulata. Linn. Syft.

Vegetab. p. 344. Fl. Suecic. n. 372.

SAXIFRAGA foliis radicalibus reniformibus, obtufe dentatis, caulinis palmatis. Haller. bift. belv. n. 976.

SAXIFRAGA rotundifolia alba. Bauhin Pin. 309.

SAXIFRAGA alba. Gerard emac. 841.

SAXIFRAGA alba vulgaris. Parkinson 424. Raii Syn. 354. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 159. Oeder. Flor.

Dan. 514.

RADIX. Fibris hujus radicis glomeratim adnascuntur * ROOT. plurimi bulbilli, extus rubescentes aut flavescentes, intus albidi, faporis primum adstringentis, postea amari et ingrati.

CAULIS plerumque simplex, pedalis, subramosus, teres, hirfutus, prefertim ad basin, parum foliosus.

FOLIA radicalia petiolis longis, hirfutis, basi latis insidentia, reniformia, hirfutula, lobata, lobis obtusis; caulina sicut adscendunt petiolis brevioribus gaudent donec tandem sessilia siunt, lobi foliorum acutiora evadunt, apicibus rufescentibus.

CALYX: PERIANTHIUM quinquepartitum, hirfutulum, subviscidum, laciniis ovato-acutis apice rufis, fig. I.

COROLLA: Petala quinque alba, patentia, apice rotundata, bafi angustiora et venis flavescentibus notata, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA decem fubulata; ANTHERÆ ovatæ, compressæ, insidentes, slavæ, biloculares, quorum quinque Pollen primum emittunt, hinc longiores, fig. 3, 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN fubrotundum, inferum, glandulâ faturate viridi cinctum, fig. 7; STYLI duo Staminibus breviores, incurvati, fig. 5; STIGMA concavum, fig. 5, demum expandens, fig. 6.

laris, pallide fusca, fig. 8.

SEMINA numerofa, minutissima, nigra. sg. 9.

To the fibres of the root of this plant, adhere in clusters a number of fmall bulbs, externally red or yellowish, internally white, of a taste at first astringent, afterwards bitter and disagreeable.

generally fimple, about a foot high, a little branched, round, hirfute particularly at bottom, furnished with but few leaves. STALK

LEAVES which grows next the root placed on long hairy foot-stalks with a broad base, kidney-shaped, slightly hairy, divided into obtuse lobes, those of the *flalk*, as they afcend, are furnished with shorter foot-stalks, 'till they gradually become fessile, the lobes more acute, and the tips of a reddish colour.

CALYX: a Perianthium divided into five fegments, hirfute and fomewhat viscid, the laciniæ of an oval pointed shape, and red at the tips, fig. 1.

COROLLA: five Petals, white, spreading, round at top, at bottom narrower, and striped with yellowish veins, fig. 2.

STAMINA: ten FILAMENTS tapering; ANTHERÆ oval, flat, fitting on the Filaments, yellow, bilocular, five of them shed the Pollen first, hence they become longer than the others, fig. 3, 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN roundish, placed below the Calyx, furrounded by a gland of a deep green colour, fig. 7; STYLES, two, shorter than the Stampen, bending inward, fig. 5; STIGMA hollow, fig. 5, finally expanding, fig. 6.

PERICARPIUM: Capsula subovata, birostris, bilocu- \$ SEED-VESSEL: a Capsule of a shape somewhat oval, and pale brown colour, having two beaks or horns, and two cavities, fig. 8

SEEDS numerous, very minute, and black. fig. 9.

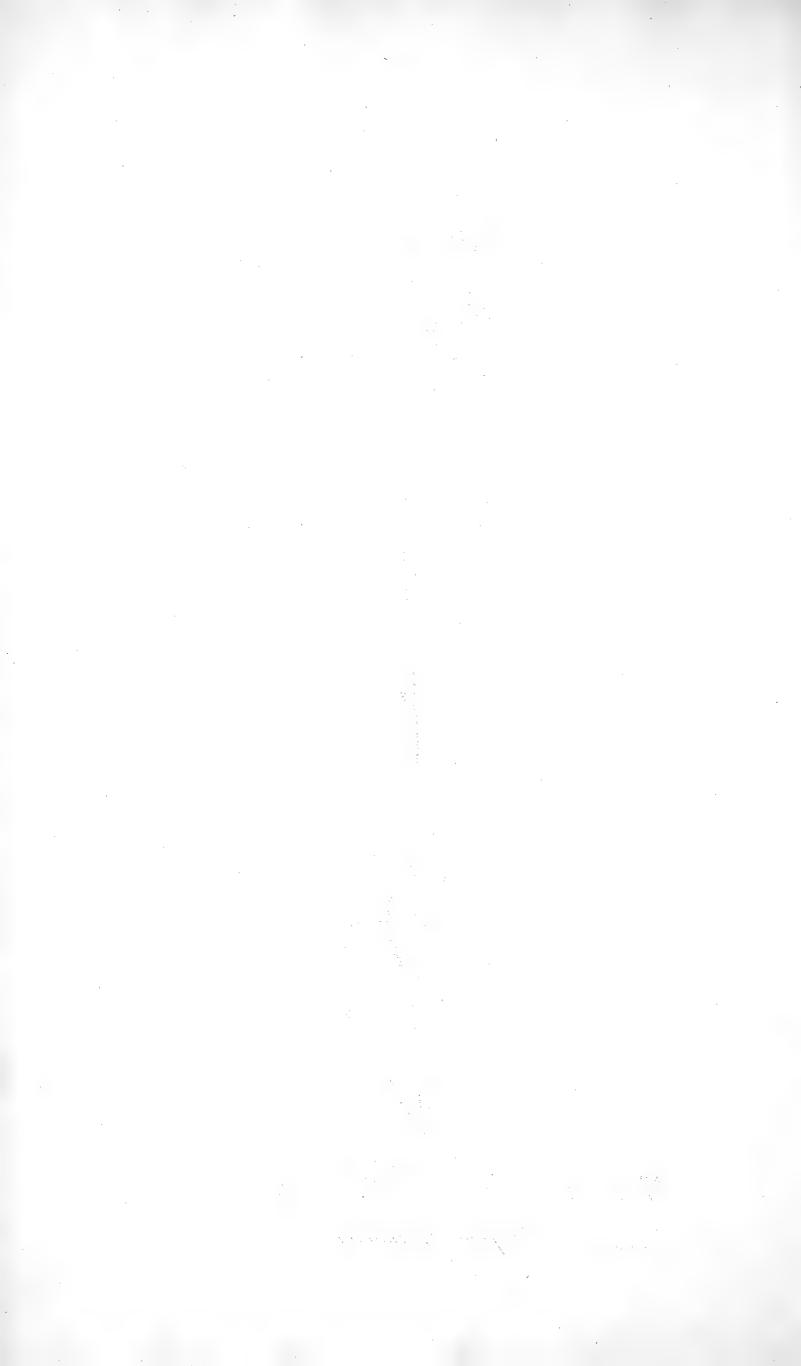
THE Root of this species of Saxifrage, by means of which it is chiefly propagated, affords the young Botanist a very good example of the Radix granulata, being composed of a number of little grains or bulbs, connected together in clusters by the fibres; some of these bulbs are solid and entire, not unaptly resembling in shape the bulbs of Onions; others spread open at top, and seem to be composed of a number of squamulæ or lesser bulbs, these are often of a bright red colour: the upper part of the stalk, the foot-stalks of the slowers, and calyx, are covered with a kind of hairs, which terminate in a viscid globule, and which seem to accompany most of the plants of this Genus. The two Styles, which at first are short, with a hollow Stigma, fig. 5, quickly grow much longer; the Stigmata spread open, so that they resemble in some degree a pair of tea-tongs, fig. 6.

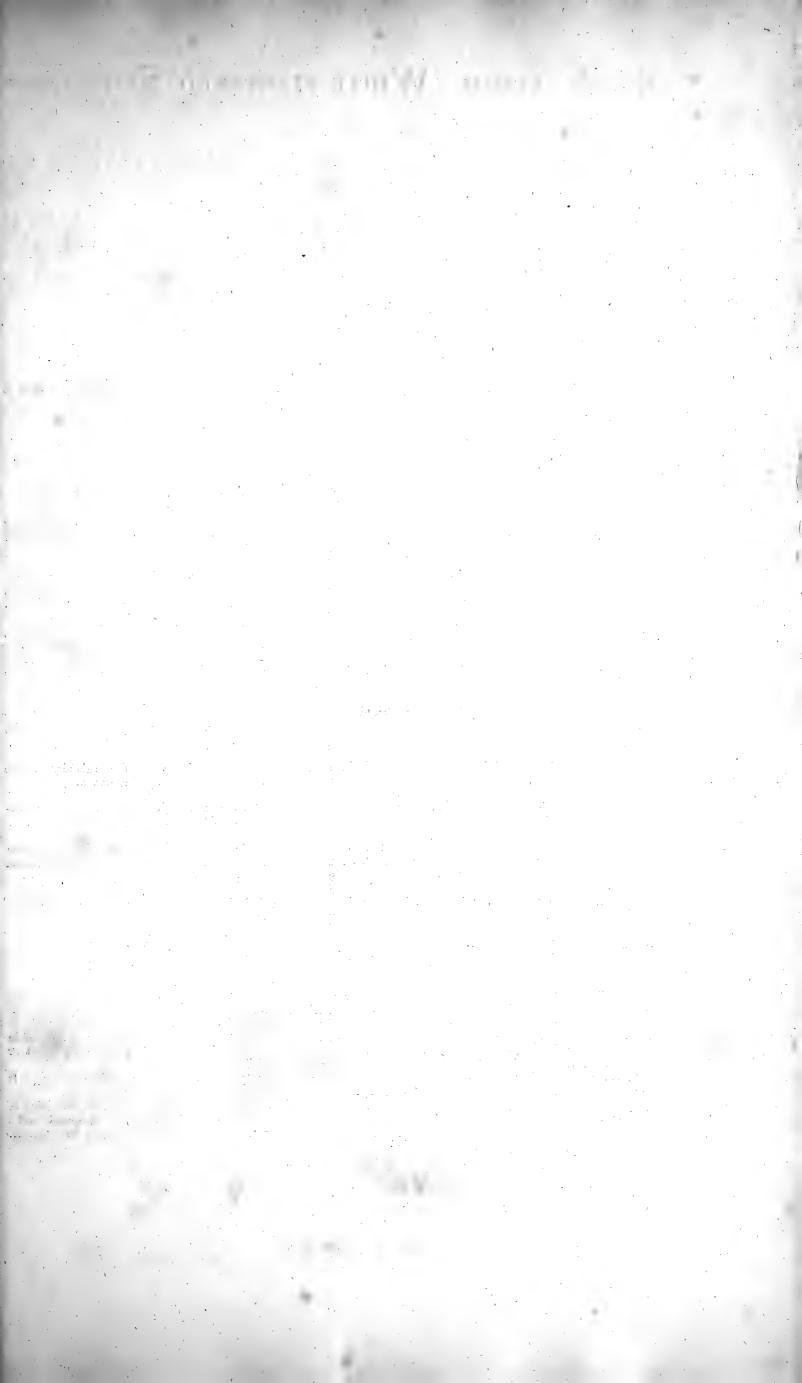
This plant does not occur so frequently with us as many others: according to Mr. Hudson, it is common about Wandsworth; I have frequently gathered it in the fields about Peckham, and lately have found it in great abundance much nearer town, viz. in the fields called Lock-fields, on the right hand side of Kent-street Road, at the back of, and contiguous to Mr. Driver's Nursery Gardens: it delights to grow in dry pastures which have a gravelly bottom; slowers in May, and produces its seeds in the month following. When double, it serves, with many other British plants, to ornament the gardens of the curious.

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Like many other plants, this feems to owe what little importance it has in medicine to the doctrine of fignatures, which has most unphilosophically introduced a number of plants into our Materia Medica. As the root bore so great a resemblance to little stones, it was concluded it must be efficacious in the stone and gravel, for which diseases it has been recommended, but there are no accounts of its success to be depended on. If it does possess any medical virtue, it should appear from the taste of the root to be that of an astringent.







SEDUM ALBUM. WHITE-FLOWERED STONECROP.

SEDUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. DECANDRIA PENTAGYNIA.

Cal. 5 fidus. Cor. 5-petala. Squamæ nectariferæ 5, ad basin germinis. Caps. 5.

Raii Syn. Gen. 17. HERBÆ MULTISILIQUÆ SEU CORNICULATÆ.

SEDUM album foliis oblongis obtusis teretiusculis sessilibus patentibus, cyma ramosa. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. p. 359. Sp. Pl. p. 619. Fl. Suecic. 153.

SEDUM caule glabro, foliis teretibus; umbellis ramosis; floribus petiolatis. Haller hift. helv. n. 959.

SEDUM album. Scopoli Fl. Carn. p. 324.

SEDUM minus teretifolium album. Bauhin. p. 283.

SEDUM minus officinarum. Gerard emac. 512.

VERMICULARIS five craffula minor vulgaris. Parkinfon 734. Raii Syn. 271. Hudfon Fl. Angl. p.

171. Oeder. Fl. Dan. Icon. 66.

RADIX perennis, fibrofa.

CAULES flexuose super muros repent, dein eriguntur, triunciales circiter, foliofi, rubri.

FOLIA feffilia, oblonga et fere cylindracea, obtufa, non admodum conferta, patentia, carnofa, glabra, fæpius rubicunda.

INFLORESCENTIA: Flores petiolati, in CYMAM ramosam confertam dispositi.

CALYX: PERIANTHIUM pentaphyllum, foliolis brevibus, obtusis, fig. 1.

COROLLA: Petala quinque alba, acuminata, lineà longitudinali rubra fæpius notata, fig. 2.

NECTARIUM glandula minima fquamiformis ad bafin finguli Germinis. fig. 6.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA decem alba, fig. 2, 3; An-THERÆ rubræ.

PISTILLUM: GERMINA quinque, in STYLOS totidem acuminatos definentia; STIGMATA fimplicia, fig. 4, 5.

PERICARPIUM: CAPSULÆ quinque minimæ acuminatæ introrfum dehiscentes, fig. 7.

SEMINA parva, oblonga, fig. 8.

ROOT perennial and fibrous.

STALKS creep on the walls in a crooked form, then grow upright, about three inches high, leafy, and red.

LEAVES feffile, oblong and almost cylindrical, obtuse, but thinly placed on the stalk, spreading, sleshy, smooth, and generally of a reddish colour.

INFLORESCENCE: Flowers standing on foot-stalks, and disposed in a thick branched CYMA.

CALYX: a PERIANTHIUM of five leaves, which are short and obtuse, fig. 1.

COROLLA: five white Petals, acuminated and generally marked with a longitudinal red streak,

NECTARY a very minute squamiform gland at the base of each of the Germina, fig. 6.

STAMINA: ten white FILAMENTS, fig. 2, 3; An-THERÆ deep red.

PISTILLUM: five GERMINA, terminating in fo many acuminated STYLES; the STIGMATA simple, fig. 4, 5.

SEED-VESSEL: five fmall acuminated CAPSULES, opening inwardly, fig. 7.

SEEDS fmall and oblong, fig. 8.

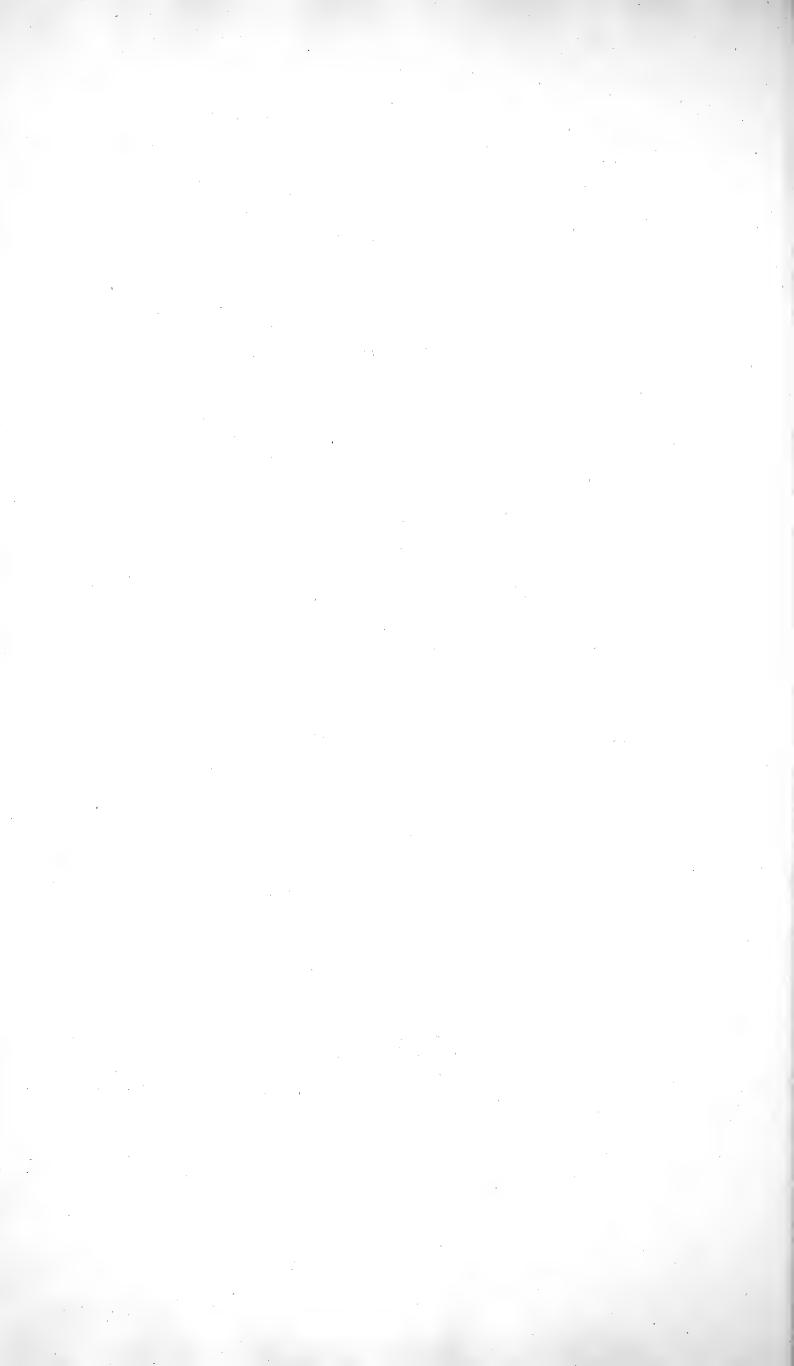
The Sedum album may be considered with us as rather a scarce plant; it is sound here and there on the Walls about Town, particularly on the Chapel-wall in Kentish-Town, where it has grown for many years; also upon a Wall on the left-hand side leading from Bromley to Bromley-Hall, in Middlesex. It has been thought to possess fufficient beauty to recommend it as a garden plant, and is accordingly, with very little trouble, cultivated in many of the gardens of the curious, nothing more being necessary than placing it in a pot silled with gravel or mould: in such a situation it will grow, flourish, and propagate itself very fast.

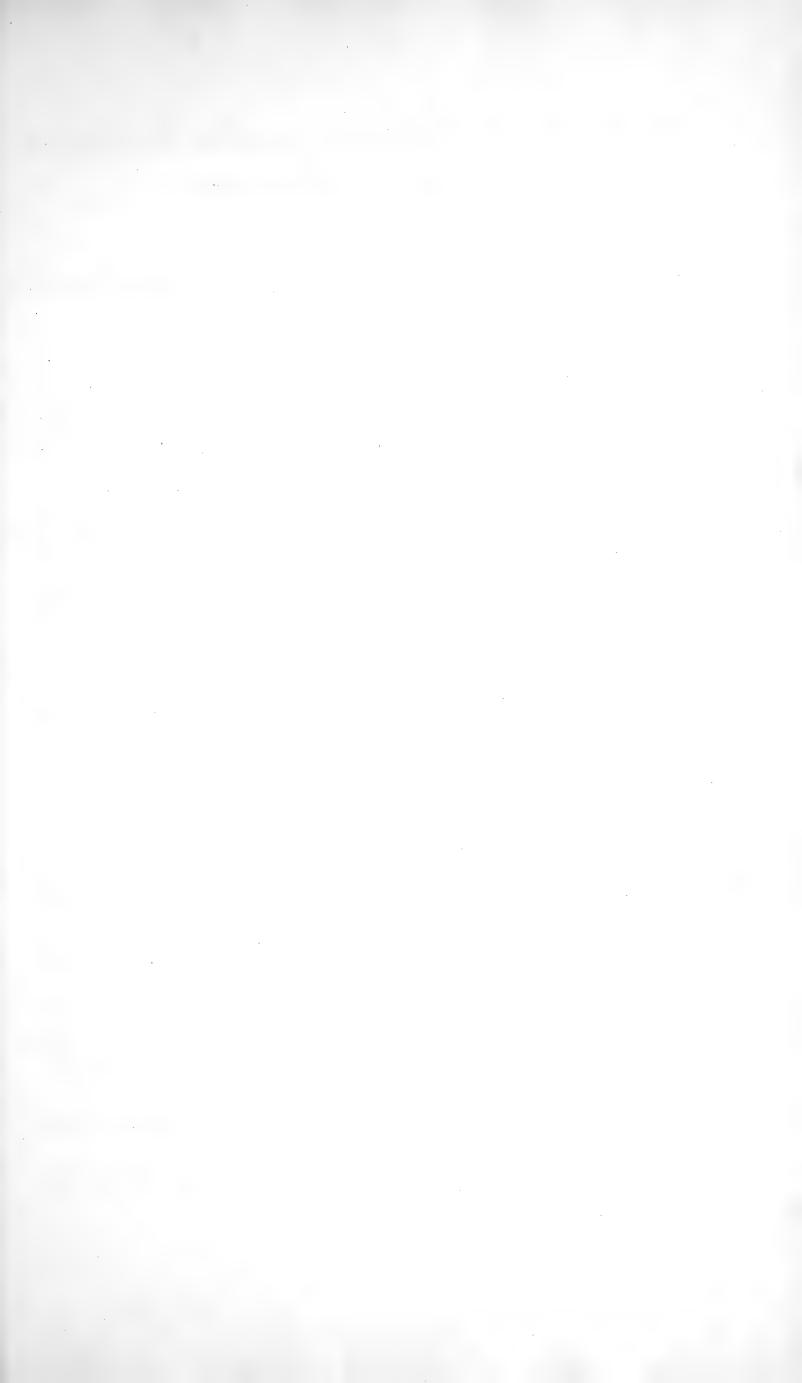
It has been called album from the colour of its flowers, which generally however have a tinge of red in them. It flowers in July. The round and oblong shape of its leaves readily distinguishes it from our other Stonecrops.

HALLER informs us that it possesses all the virtues of the large Houseleek, and that he has used the juice of it in uterine hæmorrhages, but does not inform us with what success. By way of cataplasm it is applied to the piles when in a painful state, and is said to have sometimes been made the same use of in cancers with success. By some it is eaten as a pickle.

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SEDUM ACRE. COMMON YELLOW STONECROP, OR WALL-PEPPER.

SEDUM. Linnæi Gen. Pl. DECANDRIA PENTAGYNIA.

Raii Synopfis Gen. 17. HERBÆ MULTISILIQUÆ SEÙ CORNICULATÆ.

SEDUM acre foliis subovatis, adnato-sessilibus, gibbis, erectiusculis, alternis; cyma trifida. Lin. Syst. Vegetab. p. 359. Fl. Suecic. p. 153.

SEDUM foliis conicis confertis, caulibus ramosis, summis trifidis. Haller. bist. v. 1. n. 966.

SEMPERVIVUM minus vermiculatum acre. Baubin. pin. 283.

VERMICULARIS feu Illecebra minor acris. Ger. emac. 517.

ILLECEBRA minor seu Sedum tertium Dioscoridis. Parkinson 735. Raii Synop. 270. Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 171.

RADIX perennis, fibrofa.

CAULES numerofi, cæspitosi, ramosissimi, palmares, ad basin repentes, dein erecti, teretes, foliosissimi.

FOLIA alterna, conferta, imbricata, fuberecta, adnatofessilia, ovata, obtusa, brevia, carnosa, margine paululum compressa, glabra, sapore acri. sig. 1.

FLORES feffiles, lutei, in Cymas fubtrifidas dispositi.

CALYX: Perianthium quinquepartitum, perfiftens, laciniis crassis obtusiusculis, fig. 2.

COROLLA: Petala quinque lanceolato-acuminata, COROLLA: composed of five long-pointed Petals plana, patentia, Calyce duplo longiora, fig. 3. which are flat, spreading, and twice the length

NECTARIUM: Squamula minima, alba, ad bafin, finguli germinis extrorfum pofita, fig. 7.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA decem fubulata, longitudine Corollæ. Antheræ flavæ, fig. 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMINA quinque oblonga, flava, in STYLOS acuminatos definentia. STIGMATA fimplicia, fig. 6.

PERICARPIUM: Capsulæ quinque patentes, acuminatæ, compresse, longitudinaliter suturâ introrfum dehiscentes, fig. 8.

SEMINA minima, ovata, rufa, fig. 9.

* ROOT perennial, and fibrous.

STALKS numerous, growing in tufts, very much branched, three inches high, creeping at their base, but afterwards growing upright, round, and very leafy.

LEAVES alternate, growing very thick together, and laying one over another, nearly upright, growlaying one over another, nearly upright, growing to the stalk, oval, blunt, short, sleshy, flattened a little at the edges, smooth, and of a very biting taste, sig. 1.

FLOWERS feffile, yellow, growing in Cymæ fomewhat trifid.

CALYX: a Perianthium divided into five fegments, and continuing, the fegments thick and bluntish, fig. 2.

of the Calyx, fig. 3.

NECTARY: a very minute fcale or gland placed externally at the bottom of each Germen, fig. 7.

STAMINA: ten FILAMENTS, tapering, the length of the Corolla, the Antheræ yellow, fig. 4.

PISTILLUM: five Germina, oblong, yellow, terminating in five long-pointed STYLES. The STIGмата fimple, fig. 6.

SEED-VESSEL: five Capsules, fpreading, long-pointed, flat, opening internally by a longitudinal future, fig. 8.

SEEDS very minute, oval, and reddish brown, fig. 9.

According to the account which some medical Writers give of this Plant it appears to possess considerable virtues, while others, from the durability of its acrimony, and the violence of its operation, have thought it scarce safe to be administered. Chewed in the mouth it has a very hot and biting taste, whence its name of Wall-Pepper. Applied to the skin it excoriates and exulcerates it, taken internally it proves emetic and diuretic.

The Diseases in which it has been chiefly recommended are the Scurvy and Dropfy, in both of which, according to Linnæus, it is an excellent remedy; and some instances are brought of the efficacy of its juice in Cancers, but these perhaps, stand in need of farther confirmation.

It grows very common on Houses, Walls, and gravelly Banks, and flowers in June; it continues but a short time in bloffom, but while it lasts its lively yellow colour gives a very pretty appearance to those Houses and Walls which are covered with it.



O Sedum acre!







Lychnis Flos Cuculi. Meadow Lychnis.

LYCHNIS Linnæi Gen. Pl. DECANDRIA PENTAGYNIA.

Raii Synopsis Gen. 24. HERBÆ PFNTAPETALÆ VASCULIFERÆ.

LYCHNIS Flos Cuculi petalis quadrifidis fructu fubrotundo. Lin. Syft. Vegetab. p. 361. Sp. Pl. 625.

LYCHNIS petalis quadrifidis. Haller. hift. v. 1. n. 921.

CARYOPYLLUS pratenfis, laciniato flore fimplici, five Flos cuculi. Bauhin. pin. 210.

LYCHNIS plumaria fylvestris simplex. Parkinson. parad. 253.

ARMERIUS pratenfis mas et fœmina. Gerard. Emac. 600.

Raii Synop. ed. 3. 338. Hudson. Fl. Angl. 174. Oeder. Flor. Dan. tab. 590. Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. ed. 2. p. 311.

- RADIX perennis, fibrofa, ex albido fusca, saporis sub- \$ ROOT perennial, fibrous, of a brownish white colour,
- CAULIS pedalis ad tripedalem, erectus, fulcato-angulatus, articulatus, geniculi tumidi, scabriusculus, purpurafcens.
- FOLIA Caulis, opposita, connata, lanceolata, carinata, fuberecta, lævia.
- PEDUNCULI oppositi, plerumque unico intermedio.
- : Perianthium monophyllum, tubulatum quinquedentatum, decangulatum, purpureum, persistens. fig. 1.
- COROLLA PETALA quinque, unguis longitudine calycis, fig. 2. LIMBUS quadrifidus, laciniis exterioribus brevioribus, et angustioribus, fig. 4. ad basin limbi laminæ duæ erectæ acutæ. fig. 3.
- STAMINA: FILAMENTA decem, fubulata, quorum quinque breviora, fig. 7, brevioribus ungui petalorum affixis. fig. 6. INTHERÆ oblongæ, biloculares, fig. 7. incumbentes, purpurafcentes.
- PISTILLUM GERMEN fubovatum, fig. 8. STYLI quinque subulati, subincurvati, fig. 10. STIGMATA fimplicia. fig. 10.
- PERICARPIUM CAPSULA ovata, unilocularis, ore SEED-VESSEL: a CAPSULE, oval, of one cavity, the quinquedentato, dentibus reflexis. fig. 9.

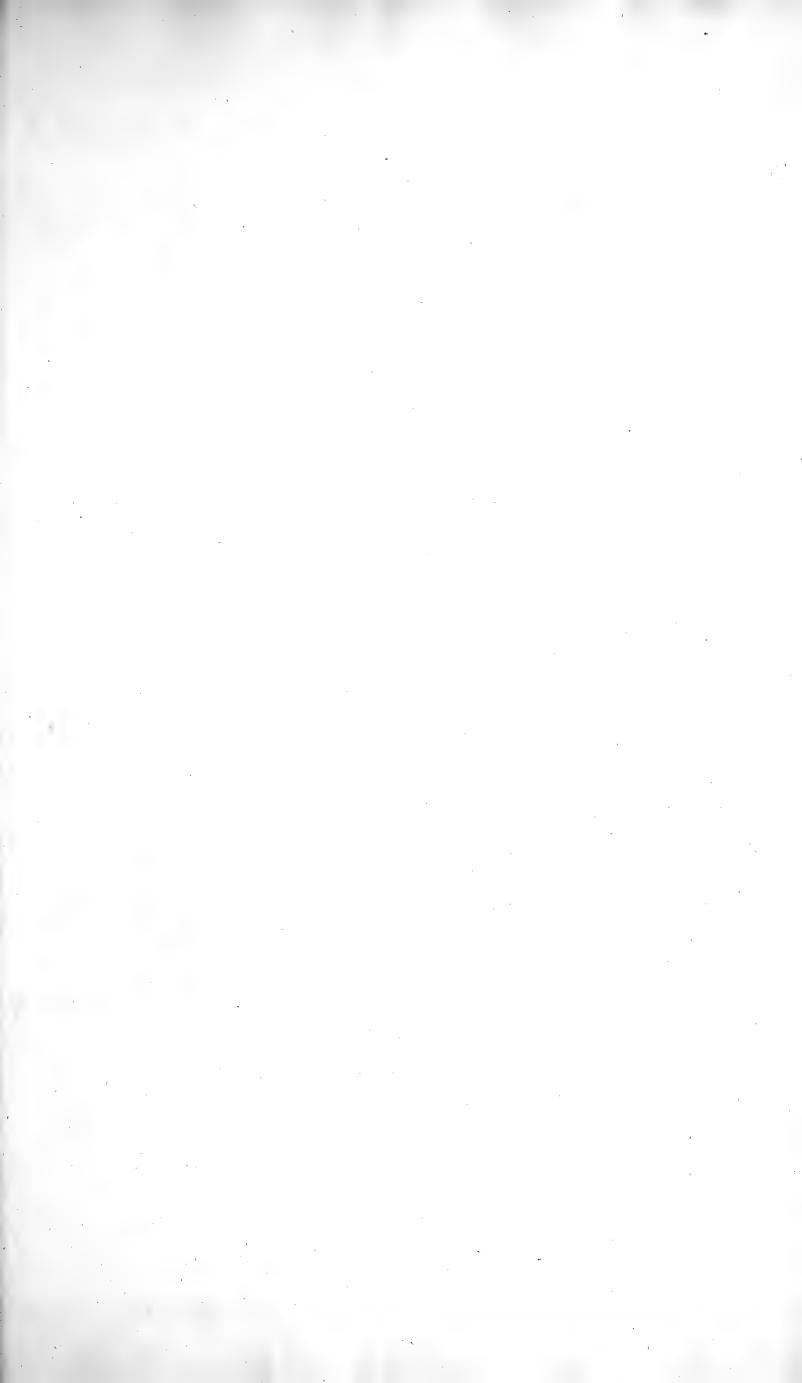
- and fomewhat biting tafte.
- STALK from one to three feet high, upright, fome-what angular and grooved, jointed, the joints fwelled, roughish, and of a purplish colour.
- LEAVES of the Stalk opposite, connate, lanceolate, the midrib prominent underneath, upright and fmooth.
- PEDUNCLES opposite, one generally intermediate.
- CALYX a Perianthium of one leaf, tubular, quinquedentate, having ten angles, or ridges, and of a deep purple colour.
- COROLLA: five petals, the claw the length of the Calyx, fig. 2. the LIMB divided into four laciniæ, the exterior shortest and narrowest, fig. 4. at the bottom of the limb are placed two small upright laminæ, fig. 3.
- STAMINA: ten FILAMENTS, tapering, five long and five fhort, fig. 5. the fhorter filaments affixed to the claw of each petal, fig. 6. the ANTHERE oblong, bilocular. fig. 7. laying across the filaments, and of a purplish hue.
- PISTILLUM: the GERMEN fomewhat oval, fig. 8. five STYLES tapering and bending a little inward, fig. 10. STIGMATA fimple. fig. 10.
- SEMINA numerofa, fubcompressa, scabriuscula, ex ci-

A variety of names hath been given to this Plant, as Meadow Pink, Cuckow Flower, Wild Williams, Ragged Robin, &c. Meadow Lychnis however feems to us the most eligible. It abounds in most Meadows, where it flowers in May and June, and is included amongst the great number of which our Meadow hay is compounded. Goats, Sheep, and Horses are said to feed on it. The use to which it is applied, seems to be chiefly ornamental; the beauty of its flowers justly entitles it (with many other neglected British Plants) to a place in the Gardens of the curious: where it is frequently found with a double flower, making a beautiful appearance, and requiring little more care in its culture, than to be placed in a most fituation: It may be propagated either by seeds or slips; the feeds may be found ripe in the latter end of June, by the sides of ditches, where the Mower's Scythe has not reached them. We sometimes find the Meadow Lychnis growing wild with a double flower, and sometimes with a white one; but this is altogether accidental. one; but this is altogether accidental.

The agreement between the blowing of flowers, and the periodical return of birds of passage, has been attended to from the earliest ages: Before the return of the seasons was exactly ascertained by Astronomy, these observations were of great consequence in pointing out stated times for the purposes of Agriculture; and still, in many a Cottage, the birds of passage and their corresponding flowers assist in regulating

"The Short, and simple Annals of the Poor."

For this reason, no doubt, we have several other plants that, in different places, go by the name of Cuckow Flower. Gerard says, Cardamine pratents (Common Ladies Smock) is the true Cuckow Flower. Shakespear's Cuckow Buds are of "yellow hue." By some the Orchis, Arum, and Wood-sorrel are all called after the Cuckow.





CERASTIUM AQUATICUM. MARSH CERASTIUM OR Mouse-ear Chickweed.

CERASTIUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. DECANDRIA PENTAGYNIA.

Raii Synop. Gen: 24 HERBÆ PENTAPETALÆ VASCULIFERÆ.

CERASTIUM aquaticum foliis cordatis, fessilibus, floribus folitariis, fructibus pendulis. Linnæi Syst: Vegetab. p. 363. Fl. Suecic. p. 157.

ALSINE foliis ovato-cordatis, imis petiolatis, tubis quinis. Haller. hift. n. 885.

STELLARIA aquatica. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 320.

ALSINE aquatica major. Bauhin. pin. 254.

ALSINE major. Gerard emac. 611. maxima Parkinson 759. Raii Syn. p. 347. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 177.

RADIX perennis, fibrofa, repens.

CAULES bipedales, debiles, pene teretes, teneri, filofi, hirfuti, ramofi, rami alterni.

FOLIA Caulis fessilia, amplexicaulia, cordato-acuminata, margine in superioribus presertim undulata, lævia, subviscida; ramorum magis undulata, petiolata.

PEDUNCULI alterni, e dichotomia caulis, uniflori, post florescentiam penduli.

CALYX: Perianthium pentaphyllum, persistens, foliolis lanceolatis, concavis, fubcarinatis, apice obtufiufculis, hirfutis, margine membranaceis, petalis paulo brevioribus. fig. 1.

COROLLA: Petala quinque alba, patentia, bipartita, laciniis oblongis, nervosis, divaricantes, fig. 2. 3.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA decem, fubulata, alba, receptaculo inferta, ad bafin et inter petala alterne locata, fig. 4. quæ inter petala locantur paulo longiora funt et glandula ad basin instruuntur fig. 5. ANTHERÆ infidentes, biloculares, albæ, fig. 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN fubrotundum, apice fulcatum, STYLI quinque albi, filiformes, longitudine Germinis. STIGMATA fimplicia, fig. 6.

PERICARPIUM: CAPSULA ovata, obsolete pentagona, ore quinquedentato. fig. 7.

fig. 8. 9.

ROOT perennial, fibrous, and creeping.

STALKS about two feet in length, weak, almost round, tender, stringy, hirfute, and branched, the branches alternate.

S of the Stalk fessile, embracing the Stalk, somewhat heart shaped and acuminate, the edge particularly in the upper ones waved, smooth, and somewhat viscid; those of the LEAVES branches more waved with short footstalks.

FOOTSTALKS alternate, from the forking of the Stalk, uniflorous, after the bloffom is gone off pendulous.

CALYX: a PRIANTHIUM of five leaves, perfifting, the leaves lanceolate, concave, flightly keel-shaped, bluntish at top, hirsute, at the edge membranous, and a little shorter than the Petals, fig. 1.

COROLLA: five Petals white, fpreading, divided almost to the bottom, the laciniæ or fegments oblong, nervous, and divaricating, fig. 2. 3.

STAMINA: ten FILAMENTS, tapering, white, fixed to the receptacle, placed alternately, one at the base and one betwixt each petal, fig. 4; those placed between the petals are a little longer than the others, and furnished at bottom with a gland, fig. 5. ANTHERÆ white and bilocular, fig. 4.

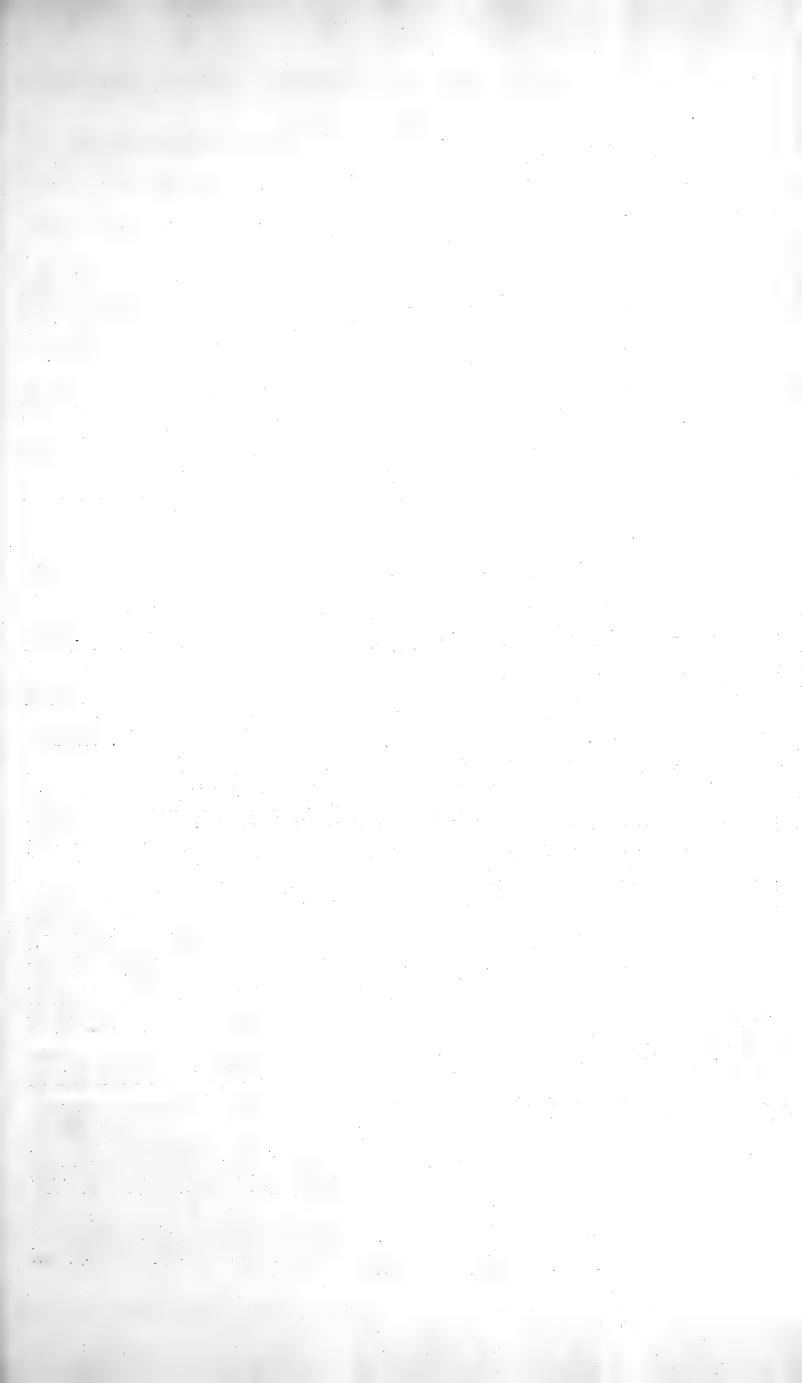
PISTILLUM: GERMEN roundish, at top grooved, five STYLES thread-shaped, white, the length of the Germen. STIGMATA simple, fig. 6.

SEED-VESSEL: an oval Capsule, flightly pentangular, the mouth quinquedentate.

SEMINA rufa, subreniformia, scabra, 60 numeravi, SEEDS reddish brown, rough, about 60 in each capsule, fig. 8. 9.

SOME of our modern and most celebrated systematic Botanists seem very much divided with respect to the Genus to which this Plant should belong. HALLER makes it an Alfine or Chickweed; Scopoli a Stellaria, and Linn Eus a Cerastium. We shall not pretend to decide who is most in the right, but only observe that its general habit or appearance, and the form of its feeds, might eafily induce Haller to confider it as an Alfine; the shape of its petals, with the structure of its feeds, would justify Scopoli in calling it a Stellaria, while the number of its styles might lead Linneus with propriety to place it among the Cerastiums. To us it appears to have the greatest natural affinity with the Alsine media or common Chickweed; it is true Linneus ranks that plant among those which have five Stamina, yet it is frequently observed to have more, and the structure of the flower evidently shows it to be formed for having ten, and those flowers which have not that number may be considered as impersect. The Seeds of these two plants are so similar as scarcely to be distinguished from each other, and their stalks are procumbent, tender, brittle, and stringy, indeed they frequently so much resemble one another, as to oblige the young Botanist to have recourse to the firingy, indeed they frequently so much resemble one another, as to oblige the young Botanist to have recourse to the very different fize of their flowers in order to discriminate them.

This Plant grows in moist places, on the banks of rivers and by streams of water, it flowers in July and August. Scoroli afferts that the plants of this kind afford excellent food for Kine.



Euphorbia Peplus. Small garden Spurge.

EUPHORBIA Linnæi Gen. Pl. Dodecandria Trigynia.

Raii Syn. Gen. 22. Herbæ vasculiferæ flore tetrapetalo anomalæ.

EUPHORBIA (Peplus) umbella trifida, dichotoma, involucellis ovatis, foliis integerrimis obovatis petiolatis.

Linn. Syft. Vegetab. p. 375. Fl. Suecic. p. 163.

TITHYMALUS foliis rotundis, flipulis floralibus cordatis, obtufis, petalis argute corniculatis. Haller. hift.

vol. 2. p. 9. n. 1049.

PEPLUS five Efula rotunda. Bauhin pin. 292. Parkinson. Gerard. emac. 503.

TITHYMALUS parvus annuus, foliis subrotundis non crenatis, Peplus dictus. Raii Syn. p. 313. n. 9:

Petty Spurge. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 182.

RADIX annua, lignofa, fimplex, fibrofa, albida.

CAULIS, suberectus, dodrantalis, teres, glaber, ramobasi durior, tenuior, subruber, foliosus, lactifluus.

RAMI pauci, sparsi, inferioribus longioribus oppositis.

UMBELLA trifida, dichotoma.

FOLIA obovata, petiolata, integerrima, sparsa, obtusius-cula, inferioribus subrotundis.

STIPULÆ umbellæ tres, ovato-acutæ, petiolis brevibus infidentes, umbellulæ alterne oppofitæ, feffiles, cordato-ovatæ, inæquales, integerrimæ, bafi quâ tendit germen quafi excavatæ.

CALYX ventricosus, persistens. fig. 1.

COROLLA nulla.

NECTARIA quatuor bicorniculata, fig. 2.
STAMINA plerumque duo, aut tria, vifibilia, exferta:
ANTHERÆ didymæ, fubrotundæ, fig. 3.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN pedunculatum, nutans, tri-angulare, angulis longitudinaliter fulcatis, fig. 4, 6: STIGMATA tria, apice bifida, fig. 5.

PERICARPIUM: Capsula tricocca, trilocularis, trivalvis, valvulis lævibus, et dum adhuc virides dissilientibus, fig. 6.

SEMEN unicum in fingulo loculamento, ovatum, canum, alveolatum, appendiculatum, fig. 7.

N. B. Omnes partes fructificationis lente augentur.

And predicting with a kind of elatitity even wither they are of a green colour, fig. 6.

SEED one in each cavity, oval, grey, with numerous depressions on its surface, and a little white button at one end, fig. 7.

N. B. All the parts of fructification are magnified.

ROOT annual, woody, fimple, fibrous and whitish.
STALK generally upright, about nine inches high,
round, fmooth, and branched; at bottom harder, more flender, and of a reddish colour, leafy

and milky.

BRANCHES few, not growing in any regular order, the lower ones longest and opposite.

UMBEL first trifid, then dichotomous.

LEAVES fomewhat oval, but narrowest towards the base, having foot-stalks, entire at the edges, placed in no regular order, fomewhat blunt,

the lowermost leaves almost round.
STIPULÆ of the large umbel three in number, oval and pointed, placed on very fhort foot-stalks: of the fmall umbel alternately opposite, sessile, of an heart-shaped-oval form, unequal, and entire, at bottom on that fide to which the Germen tends as if cut away.

CALYX bellying out and continuing, fig. 1.

COROLLA wanting.
NECTARIES four, each having two little horns, fig.2: STAMINA feldom more than two or three, which are visible, and placed without the Calyx: ANTHE-RÆ two on each filament joined together, of a

PISTILLUM: GERMEN placed on a foot-stalk, hanging down, triangular, the angles longitudinally grooved, fig. 4, 6: STIGMATA three, bifid at

top, fig. 5. SEED-VESSEL: a CAPSULE of three cavities, and three valves, the valves protuberant, fmooth, and fplitting with a kind of elasticity even while

MANY of the Spurges confiderably refemble one another, and two of them that have this affinity, grow frequently together in Gardens, viz. the prefent Spurge, Euphorbia Peplus, and the Sun Spurge, Euphorbia Helioscopia; they may be diffinguished however by the slightest attention. In the Helioscopia the leaves are notched or servated at the edges, in the Peplus they are entire, in the Helioscopia the Petals or rather Nectaria are round and entire, in the Peplus each is surnished with two little borns, fig. 2; there are other marks of diffinction but these are the most striking. This species grows in Gardens and other cultivated ground, and slowers in Autumn.

The milky sluid which it abounds with, is by some applied to Warts, which it is said to destroy. Most if not all the plants of this Genus contain in them this milky and gummy substance, which to the taste is exceedingly acrid; and this lactistuous property, joined to the peculiarity of its parts of fructistication, point out almost a first sight this natural family of plants. But the botanic Student who would investigate this species according to the principles of the Linnæan System, not having these characteristics to affist him, finds a considerable difficulty in learning even the Class to which it belongs, nor is it possible for him to ascertain the Class by an examination of this or scarce any other English Spurge: the Stamma in the first place are very minute, it is seldom that more than stwo or stree protrude beyond the Calyx, all the rest lye concealed within it, they seldom amount to swelve in number, and even if they did amount to that exact number, their minuteness and the milky juice which flows from the diffection, render the enumeration of them scarce practicable. The Student may however in a great degree surmount this difficulty, by an examination of some plant of this genus, which is larger in every respect, and the Euphorbia Lathyris improperly called the Caper Tree, (which is cultivated in many Gardens) will afford him a very good example,

It is too much the fashion now, as well as formerly, for every Botanist as soon as he thinks he has some pretensions to eminence, to fet about the arduous task of framing a new System; he may by this means give the public some idea of his self-consequence, and be inrolled in the Catalogue of System-makers, but not one jot will he advance the science of Botany. It is to be regretted that Botanists will not be contented with a System, a proof of whose superriority is the almost general reception it has met with throughout Europe, and unite in their endeavours to render that System more compleat, by giving us an accurate account of the history of those plants not already given, their virtues and uses; this appears to me to be the true method of advancing this delightful Science, and making it usefull to Mankind.

When one System of Botany is generally followed as is nearly the case at present, Botanists in different kingdoms perfectly understand each others language, but when each adopts a seperate one, (which is frequently dictated by Pride or Caprice) all becomes Babel; and every one who wishes to acquire a knowledge of the plants treated of, must at considerable expense both of time and labour, acquire first the Authors new-created System-language, a tax which it is hoped every true Botanist will unite to oppose.





EUPHORBIA HELIOSCOPIA. SUN SPURGE OR WART-WORT.

EUPHORBIA Linnai Gen. Pl. Dodecandria Trigynia.

Cor. 4-f. 5-petala, calyci infidens. Cal. 1-phyllus, ventricofus. Caps. 3-cocca.

Raii Syn. Gen. 22. Herbæ vasculiferæ, flore tetrapetalo anomalæ.

EUPHORBIA umbella quinquefida: trifida: dichotoma, involucellis obovatis, foliis cuneiformibus ferratis. Linn. Syft. Vegetab. p. 377. Sp. Plant. 658. Fl. Suecic. p. 162.

TITHYMALUS foliis petiolatis, fubrotundis, ferratis, stipulis rotundis, ferratis. Haller bist. v. 2.

TITHYMALUS helioscopius. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 337. n. 579:

TITHYMALUS helioscopius. Bauhin Pin. 291. Gerard emac. 458. Parkinson. 189.

TITHYMALUS helioscopius sive solisequus. I. B. 3. 669. Raii Syn. 313. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 183.

RADIX fimplex, fibrofa, annua.

CAULIS erectus, teres, pilofus, inferne brachiatus, brachiis oppositis.

FOLIA sparsa, pauca, glabra, ferrata, cuneiformia, inferiora petiolata, superiora sessilia.

UMBELLA quinquefida, trifida, dichotoma, patens, fastigiata.

STIPULÆ minute ferratæ, glabræ, Umbellæ quinque, obovatæ, horizontales, æquales, Umbellulæ tres, ovatæ, inæquales, interiore duplo minore, quæ fequuntur mucrone terminatæ.

CALYX fubventricofus, flavescens, fig. 1.

COROLLA nulla.

NECTARIA quatuor, fubrotunda, nuda, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA duo, tria, aut plura, visibilia, exferta; Antheræ flavæ, biloculares, loculis subrotundis, fig. 3.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN pedunculatum, fubrotundum, nutans; STIGMATA tria, apice bifida, fig. 4, 5.

PERICARPIUM: CAPSULA tricocca, trilocularis, trivalvis, fig. 6.

SEMEN unicumin fingulo loculamento, ovatum, rugofum ex purpureo fuscum, fig. 7.

ROOT fimple, fibrous, annual.

STALK upright, round, flightly hairy, below branched, the branches opposite.

LEAVES growing in no regular order, few, fmooth, ferrated, and wedge-shaped, the lower ones standing on foot-stalks, the upper ones sessible.

UMBELL dividing into five, next three, then two, fpreading, of an equal height at top.

STIPULÆ minutely ferrated and fmooth, those of the Umbell five, somewhat oval, spreading horizontally, and equal; those of the *smaller* Umbell three, oval, unequal, the interior one twice as small as the others; those which follow terminating in a point.

CALYX fomewhat fwelled, of a yellowish colour,

COROLLA wanting.

NECTARIA four, roundish and naked, fig. 2.

STAMINA: two, three, or more FILAMENTS, visible beyond the Calyx; ANTHERÆ yellow, bilocular, the cavities containing the Pollen roundish, fig. 3.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN placed on a foot-stalk, roundish, hanging down; STIGMATA three, bisid at top, fig. 4, 5.

SEED-VESSEL a CAPSULE of three protuberating valves, and three cavities, fig. 6.

SEEDS one in each cavity, oval, wrinkled, of a purplish brown colour, fig. 7.

IN speaking of the Euphorbia Peplus, I had occasion to take notice of the difficulty which Students in Botany find in investigating the Class and Order of this Genus, and endeavoured to make it easier to them: in this plant the parts of the fructification are somewhat larger; and it differs from the other Spurges in having its leaves finely serrated. In its acrimonious quality it is inferior to none; hence it has often been applied to Warts for the purpose of destroying them; but even in this case, great care should be used in its application. My friend Mr. William Wavell lately informed me of a case which fell under his notice in the sold Wight, where from the application of the juice of this Spurge to some Warts near the eye of a little girl, the whole face became inflamed to a very great degree.

It is very common in gardens and cultivated ground, flowering in Autumn.







POTENTILLA REPTANS COMMON CINQUEFOIL

FIVE LEAVED GRASS

POTENTILLA Linnæi Gen. Pl. ICOSANDRIA POLYGYNIA:

Raii Gen. 15. HERBÆ SEMINE NUDO POLYSPERMÆ.

POTENTILLA reptans foliis quinatis, caule repente, pedunculis unifloris. Lin: Syft. Vegetab. p. 398. Fl. Suecic. p. 178.

FRAGARIA foliis quinatis ferratis, petiolis unifloris, caule reptante. Haller hift. v. 2. p. 47.

QUINQUEFOLIUM majus repens. Bauhin pin. p. 325. Gerard emac. 987.

PENTAPHYLLUM vulgatissimum Parkinson 398. Raii Syn. p. 255.

POTENTILLA reptans. Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 197. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 361

RADIX perennis, fusiformis, paucis fibrillis instructa, ROOT perennial, tapering, furnished with few fibres, intra terram profunde penetrans, crassitie digiti penetrating deeply into the earth, the fize of the little finger, or even of the thumb when fordide castanea.

CAULES numerofi, teretes, glabri, repentes, purpurei. § STALKS numerous, round, fmooth, and creeping.

FOLIA quinata, etiam septena occurrunt, ferrata, venosa, inæqualia, parum hirfuta, petiolis longis infidentia, per paria e geniculis caulium ad magna intervalla prodeuntia.

STIPULÆ geminæ, trifoliatæ, foliolis ovatis.

PETIOLI uniflori, longi, fuberecti.

CALYX: Perianthium monophyllum, planiusculum, decemfidum, laciniis alternis minoribus, fæpe reflexis, fig. 3, 4, 5.

COROLLA: Petala quinque, fubrotundo-cordata, flava, unguibus calyci inferta, fig. 6.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA viginti, fubulata, Corolla breviora, margini interiori glandulosæ calycis inferta, in duas series distributa; ANTHERÆ oblongæ, compressæ, flavæ, biloculares, loculæ membranâ divisæ, insidentes, fig. 7, 8.

PISTILLUM: GERMINA numerofa, in capitulum collecta; Styli filiformes filamentis breviores, lateri Germinis inserti, persistentes; Stigmata minima, obtusa, fig. 9, 10.

SEMINA numerofa, parva, fusca, stylo persistente terminata, fig. 11, 12.

OR

LEAVES quinate, or growing five together, fometimes even feven, ferrated, veiny, unequal in their fize, flightly hairy, fitting on long footftalks, which proceed in pairs from the joints of the stalks at considerable distances.

STIPULÆ growing in pairs, composed of three ovalfhaped leaves.

FOOT-STALKS of the flowers uniflorous, long, and nearly upright.

CALYX: a Perianthium of one leaf, flattish, divided into ten segments, the segments alternately smaller and frequently turned back, fig. 3.4.5.

COROLLA: five Petals of a roundish heart-shaped figure, and yellow colour, inferted into the Calyx by their Ungues or claws, fig. 6.

STAMINA twenty FILAMENTS tapering: fhorter than the Corolla, inferted into the inner edge of the Calyx, which puts on a glandular appearance, and placed in two rows; Antheræ oblong, flat, bilocular, the bags or cavities divided by a membrane, fitting on the filaments, fig. 7, 8.

PISTILLUM: the Germina numerous, collected into the filaments inferted into the fide of the Germina the filaments inferted into the fide of the Germina the filaments inferted into the fide of the Germina the filaments inferted into the fide of the Germina the filaments inferted into the filaments.

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finall and blunt, fig. 9, 10.

SEEDS numerous, fmall, brown and terminated by the Style, fig. 11, 12.

The Roots of Cinquefoil and many other plants of the Class Icosandria, possess considerable virtues as aftringent medicines, and may be used in the same Cases in which Bistort is recommended.

It has likewise been used in some places for the purpose of tanning Leather where better materials for that

purpose are with difficulty acquired.

A Tea or insussion of the leaves is in use among the Country People as a drink in Fevers.

Most forts of Cattle are fond of the leaves, but it does not appear to be a plant worth cultivating on that account. The Larva or Caterpillar of the Phalæna Rubi, vid. Roesel, Suppl. tab. 69, Albin tab. 81, seeds on the leaves in Autumn, although a plant to which that Insect is by no means confined.

It grows very common in meadows and on banks by the road sides, and slowers in July, August, and September. It affords the botanic Student a very good example of the Caulis repens or Creeping Stalk.









RANUNCULUS BULBOSUS. ROUND-ROOTED OR BULBOUS CROWFOOT.

RANUNCULUS Linnai Gen. Pl. POLYANDRIA POLYCYNIA.

Raii Syn: Gen. 15. HERBÆ SEMINE NUDO POLYSPERMÆ.

RANUNCULUS bulbosus, calycibus retroflexis, pedunculis sulcatis, caule erecto multissoro, foliis compositis, Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 430. Sp. Pl. 778. Fl. Suecic. 196.

RANUNCULUS radice subglobosa, foliis hirsutis, semitrilobis, lobis petiolatis acute ferratis. Haller. hist. v. 2. p. 74.

RANUNCULUS Scopoli Fl. Carn. v. 1. p. 400. DIAGN. Radix globofa. Calyces reflexi. Squamula neces tarifera obtufe trigona.

RANUNCULUS pratenfis radice verticilli modo rotunda. Bauhin. pin. 179. Fuschii Icon. 160. Gerard. emacs 953. Parkinson 329. Raii Synop. 247. Hudson Fl. Angl. 211. Fl. Dan. Icon. 551.

inferne depressior, hinc radicem Rapæ quodammodo referens.

CAULIS pedalis, teres, erectus, fiftulosus, hirsutus, ra- \$ STALK a foot high, round, upright, hollow, hairy and mofus.

FOLIA radicalia petiolis longis, hirfutis, bafi vaginantibus infidentia, fubprocumbentia, hirfuta, venofa, trilobata, lobo medio majori et longius petiolato, femitrifido, fegmentis acute incifis; lobis lateralibus trifidis, fegmentis inferioribus profundius divifis; caulina fubfeffilia in lacinias plures tenuiores divifa plures tenuiores divifa.

PEDUNCULI fulcati.

CALYX: Perianthium pentaphyllum, foliolis ovatis, concavis, reflexis,, pilofis, apice obtufiufculis, margine membranaceis, basi fubpellucidis,

COROLLA PETALA quinque obcordata, flava, nitentia,

fig. 2.
NECTARIUM: fquamula flava fubemarginata ad bafin

petali fig. 3.
STAMINA: FILAMENTA plurima, receptaculo inferta; Anther & oblong &, flav &, fubincurvat &, fig 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMINA númerofa in capitulum collecta; STYLI nulli; STIGMATA minima reflexa,

SEMINA plurima compressa, fusca, mucronata, lævia, arillata, fig. 6.

Fig. 7, ARILLUS, fig. 8, femen denudatum.

RADIX perennis, fubrotunda, albida, folida, fuperne et \$ ROOT perennial, roundish, white and folid, flattened a little both at top and bottom, hence fomewhat resembling a Turnep.

branched.

LEAVES: the radical leaves placed on long hairy foot-ftalks, which at bottom embrace the stalk, fomewhat procumbent, hairy, veiny, and divided into three lobes; the mid-lobe largest and placed on a longer foot-stalk than the others, divided half way down into three fegments which are fharply cut in; the fide-lobes trifid, the lower fegments more deeply divided than the others; the leaves of the flalk nearly fessile, deeply divided into numerous and narrower fegments

FOOT-STALKS of the flowers grooved.

CALYX: a Perianthium of five leaves, the leaves oval, hollow, turned back and hairy, bluntish at top, meinbrahous at the edges, thin and fome-what transparent at bottom, fig. 1. COROLLA: five Petals, heart-shaped, yellow, and

fhining, fig. 2:

NECTARY: a fmall yellow scale at the bottom of the petal, with a slight indentation at top, fig. 3.

STAMINA; FILAMENTS numerous and inserted into the receptacle; Antheræ oblong, yellow, and bonding a little inwards fig. 4.

bending a little inwards, fig. 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMINA numerous, collected into a little head; STYLES none; STIGMATA very

fmall and bending back, fig. 5.

SEEDS numerous, flat, brown, fmooth, pointed, and covered with an Arillus, fig. 6.

Fig. 7, the Arillus, fig. 8. the feed taken out of it.

THIS Crowfoot has been considered by some Authors as the same Species with the Ranunculus repens, but certainly without any propriety, for there can be no doubt but they are as distinct as any two species of Ranunculus whatever. It is distinguished from the repens by several peculiarities, the principal of which are, 1st, its reflexed cally, the turning back of which does not depend on any accidental circumstances, but solely on its particular structure; if it be plucked off, and held up to the light, the lower half of it will appear thin and almost transparent, hence not having a sufficient degree of solidity to support itself upright, it is reflected downwards;—2dly, the root in this species is round, and solid; in the repens it is sibrous: and 3dly, (which perhaps may be considered as the most effective difference) the stalk of the bulbosus is never known to throw out any Stolones or Creepers, which the repens always does in every soil and situation fituation

This Species blows earlier than either the upright or creeping Crowfoot, and is the fecond flower, which next to the Dandelion covers our meadows and paftures with that delightful yellow, which almost dazzles the eye of the beholder.

Like the rest of the Crowsoots it possesses the property of inflaming and blistering the skin, but more particularly the Root, which is said to raise blisters with less pain and more fasety, than Spanish slies; and hence where Blisters have been thought necessary, these roots have been applied for that purpose, particularly to the Joints in cases of the Gout. On being kept they loose their stimulating quality, and are even eatable when boiled.

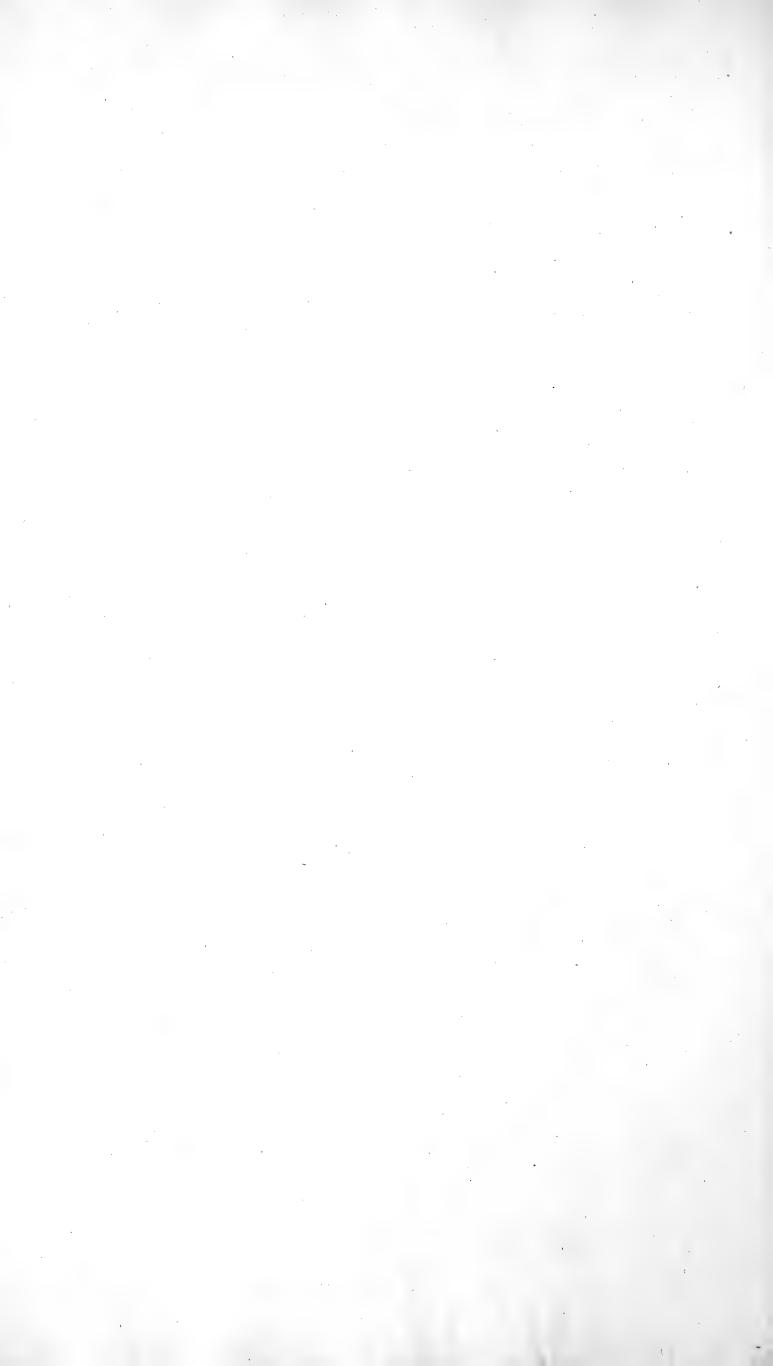
HOFFMAN informs us that Beggars make use of them to blister their skins in order to excite compassion.

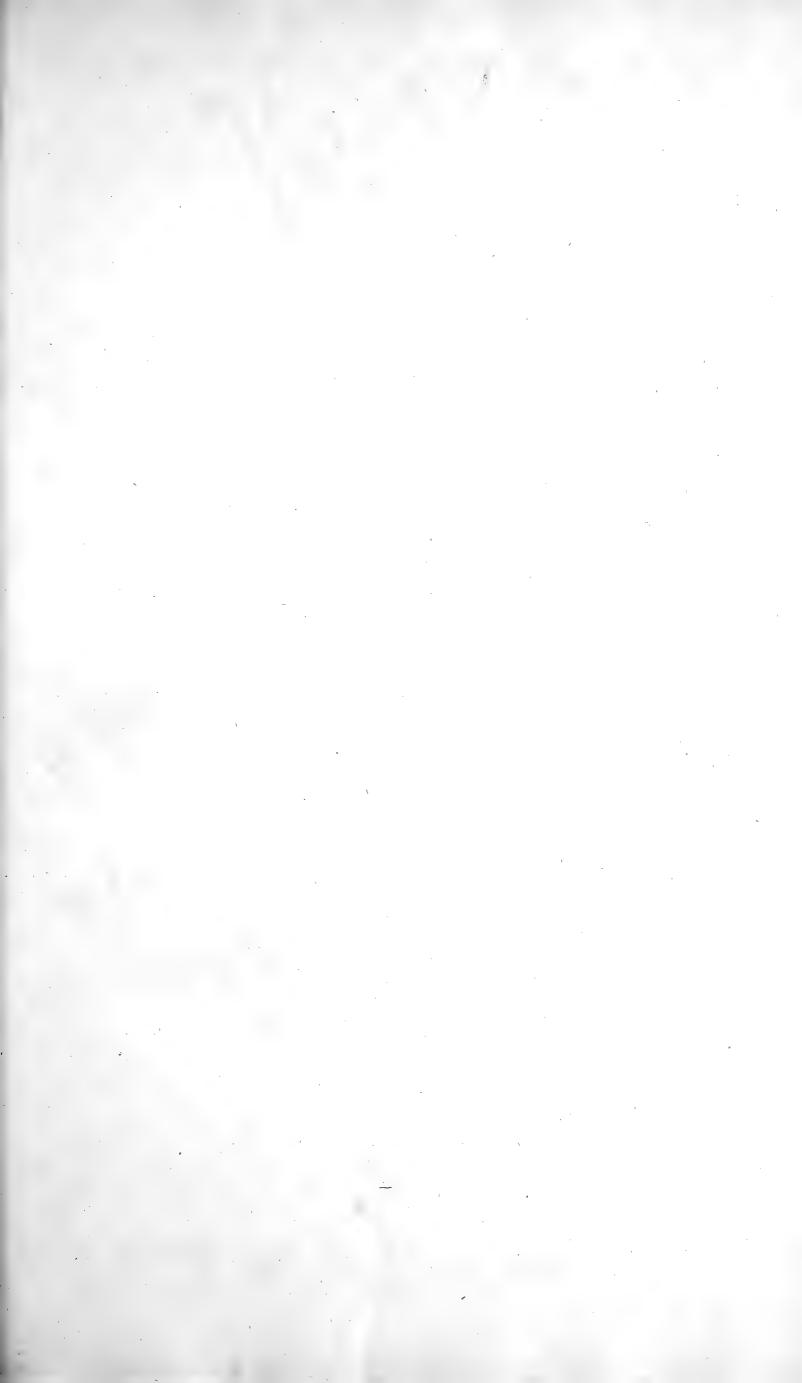
The Juice of this herb is said to be more acrid than that of the Ranunculus sceleratus, and if applyed to the nostrils

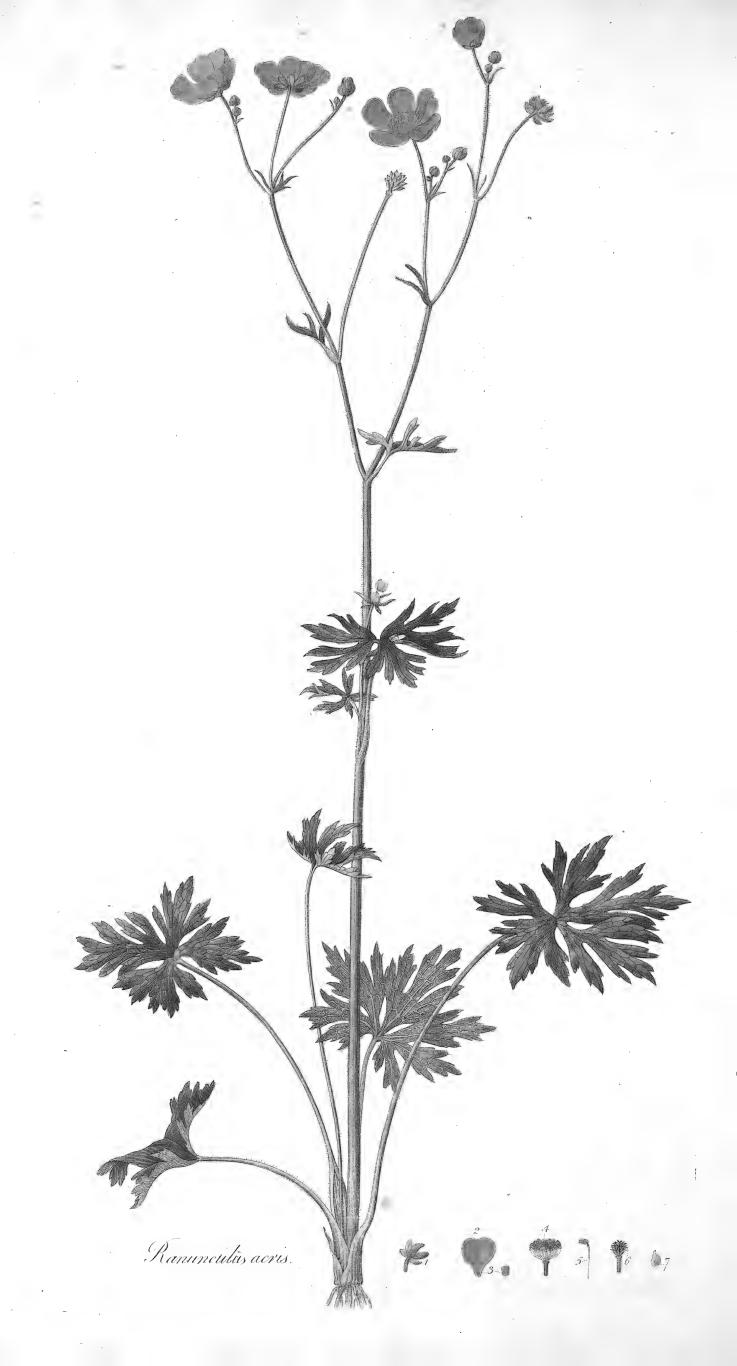
it provokes fneezing.

Hogs are fond of the roots and will frequently dig them up.

It abounds in dry pastures, and flowers in May; it is cultivated when double as well as the upright meadow Crowfoot, which last occurs in almost every Garden, under the name of Yellow Batchelors Buttons.







Upright Meadow Crowfoot. RANUNCULUS ACRIS.

RANUNCULUS Linnæi Gen. Pl. Polyandria Polygynia.

Raii Gen. 15. HERBÆ SEMINE NUDO, POLYSPERMÆ.

RANUNCULUS acris calycibus patulis, pedunculis teretibus, foliis tripartito-multifidis, fummis linearibus. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 430. Fl. Suecic. p. 196.

RANUNCULUS foliis hirfutis, femitrilobațis, lobis lateralibus bipartitis, foliis caulinis femitrilobis. Haller. hist. n. 1169.

RANUNCULUS pratenfis erectus acris. Baubin. pin. 178. Gerard. emac. 951. Parkinson 329. Raii Synopsis, p. 248. Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 211. Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. p. 398.

RADIX perennis, e pluribus radiculis albidis conftans.

apice ramofus.

FOLIA Radicalia petiolis longis erectis infidentia, tripartita, lobo medio trifido, lateralibus bilobis,
omnibus acute dentatis aut incifis, fubhirfutis,
ones bilobous, and all of them findented, fupernè ad basin præsertim sæpe purpureis, venis fubtus extantibus.

Caulina radicalibus fimilia, in lacinias tenuiores vero divifa et petiolis brevioribus infidentia, tandem linearia, feffilia.

Petioli cum vaginis hirfuti.

PEDUNCULI teretes.

CALYX: Perianthium pentaphyllum, patens, flavescens, pilosum, foliolis ovatis, concavis, obtusis, margine membranaceis, sig. 1.

COROLLA: Petala quinque flava, nitentia, fubcordata nunc emarginata, nunc integra, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA plurima, apice paululum dilatata, fig. 5.4. Anther E flavæ, fubincurvatæ, obtufæ, fig. 4.

NECTARIUM: fquamula emarginata, ad bafin petalorum, fig. 3.

lecta, STYLI nulli; STIGMATA reflexa, fig. 6.

SEMINA: plurima, fubrotunda, compressa, fusca, apice \$ SEEDS numerous, roundish, slat, of a brown colour, reflexa. fig. 7.

ROOT perennial, confifting of numerous white fibres.

CAULIS bipedalis, erectus, fiftulofus, teres, fubpilofus, \$ STALK generally about two feet high, upright, hollow, round, fomewhat hairy, much branched at top.

> flightly hirfute, the upper furface particularly at the base frequently of a purple colour, the veins underneath prominent
>
> Leaves of the Stalk like the radical leaves, but

more finely divided, and flanding on shorter foot-flalks, at top linear and seffile. The FOOTSTALKS

with their sheaths hairy.

FOOT-STALKS of the Flowers round:

CALYX: a Perianthium of five leaves, fpreading, of a yellow colour and hairy, the leaves oval, concave, and membranous at the edges, fig. 1.

COROLLA: five Petals, yellow and shining, nearly heart-shaped, sometimes notched, sometimes entire, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTS numerous, a little dilated at top, fig. 5.4. ANTHER & yellow, obtuse, bending a little inward, fig. 4.

NECTARY: a finall fcale, flightly notched at top, at the base of each Petal, fig. 3.

PISTILLUM: GERMINA numerofa, in capitulum col- PISTILLUM: GERMINA numerous, forming a little head; STYLES none, STIGMATA reflex, fig. 6.

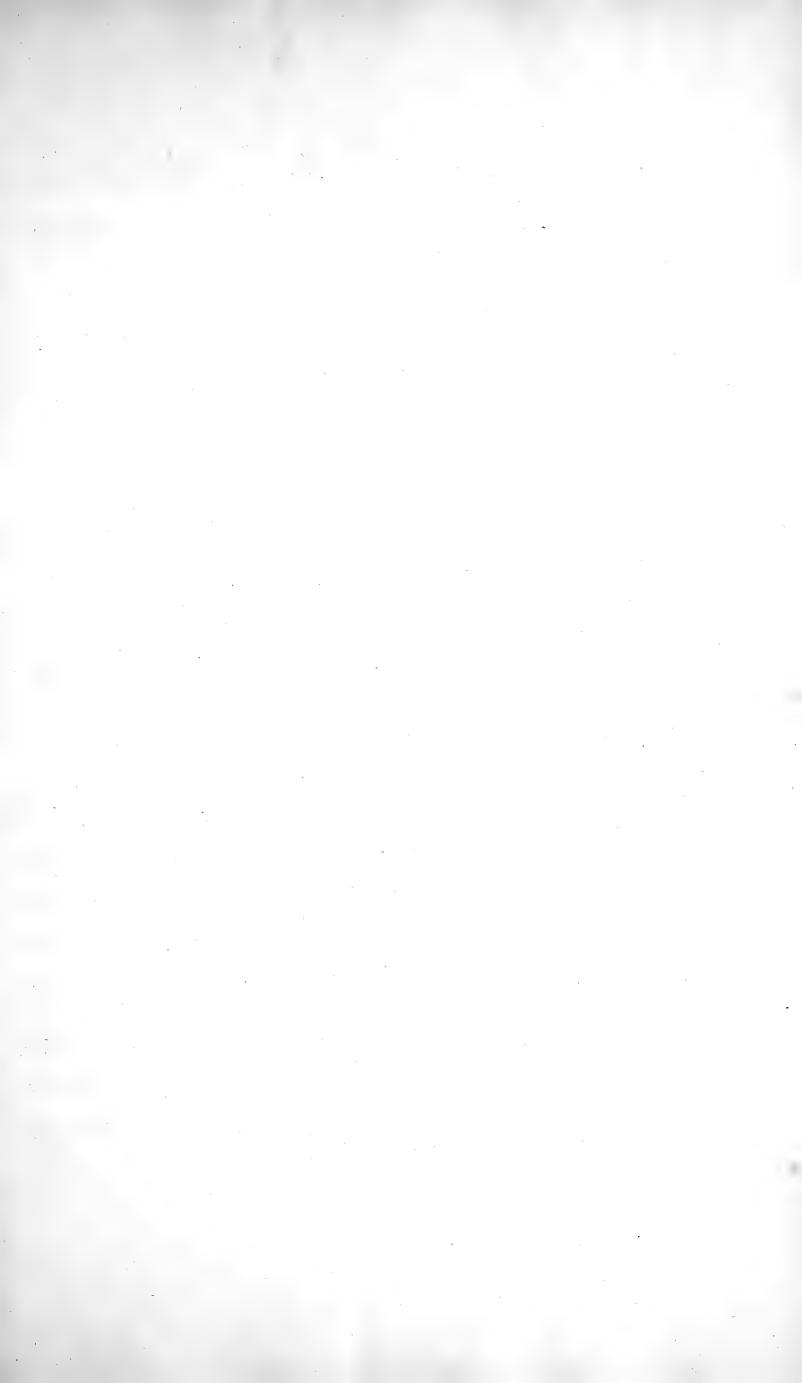
bending back at the tip, fig. 7.

Most of the Ranunculi or Crowfoots are acrid and in some degree poisonous, and the species above described possesses this property in a very confiderable degree; hence Linnæus has given it the name of acris; even pulling up the plant and carrying it to fome little diffance we have known fufficient to produce a confiderable inflamation in the palm of of the person's hand who held it. Cattle in general will not eat it, yet sometimes when they are turned hungry into a new field of Grass, or have but a small spot to range in they will feed on it, and hence their mouths, as we have been credibly informed, have become fore and blistered. When made into hay it loses its acrid property, but is too stalky and hard to afford good Nourishment. It should seem therefore to be the interest of the Farmer as much as possible to root out this species from his Meadows that its place may be supplied with good sweet grass.

It grows too frequently in most of our meadows, and flowers in June and July.

The common people about Town and in many parts of the country call this and the other yellow Crowfoots by the names of Butter-cups and Butter-flowers, and this name feems to have originated from a supposition that the yellow colour of butter was owing to these plants; that this should be the case seems scarce probable, certainly it receives no good taste from it.





CALTHA PALUSTRIS. MARSH-MARIGOLD.

CALTHA Linnæi Gen. Pl. POLYANDRIA POLYGYNIA Cal. o. Petala quinque. Nectaria o. Capsulæ plures polyspermæ.

Raii Syn. HERBÆ MULTISILIQUÆ SEU CORNICULATÆ.

CALTHA palustris. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 432. Flor. Suecic. 198.

CALTHA Haller. hift. helv. p. 32. n. 1188.

POPULAGO palustris. Scopoli Fl. Carniol p. 404.

CALTHA palustris flore simplici. Bauhin pin 276.

POPULAGO. Tournefort. Tabernamont.

CALTHA paluftris vulgaris fimplex. Parkinfon 1213.

CALTHA palustris major. Gerard. emac. 817.

Raii Syn. 272. Marsh Marigold. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 214.

RADIX perennis, e plurimis fibris, teretibus, majufcu- \$ ROOT perennial, confifting of numerous, round, large, lis, albidis, conftans.

CAULES ex eadem radice nascuntur plures, suberecti,

pedales, fiftulofi, pene teretes, glabri, ramofi, ad bafin purpurei.

FOLIA radicalia petiolata, cordato-reniformia, glabra, crenata, caulina fubfeffilia, ad apicem acutiora, et acute crenata.

STIPULÆ fuscæ, membranaceæ, marcescentes. RAMI dichotomi.

PEDUNCULI uniflori, erecti, fulcati.

CALYX nullus.

COROLLA: PETALA plerumque quinque, flava, magna, fubrotundo-ovata, plana, patentia, superne non splendentia, fig. 1.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA numerofa, filiformia, Corollà breviora, Anther & oblong &, compresse, incurvate, flave, fig. 2.

PISTILLUM: Germina quinque ad decem, oblonga,

compressa, erecta; Styli nulli; Stigmata fimplicia, fig. 3.
PERICARPIUM: Capsulæ totidem, acuminatæ, pa-

tentes, suturâ superiore dehiscentes, fig. 4.

SEMINA plurima, subovata, pulchra, inferne olivacea, fuperne rufa, fig. 5.

white fibres.

STALKS: feveral arise from the same root, almost upright, about a foot high, hollow, nearly round, fmooth, branched, and purple at bottom.

LEAVES: the radical leaves placed on long foot stalks, betwixt an heart and kidney shape, smooth, shining, and notched or crenated; the leaves of the STALK nearly sessile, more pointed at top, and sharply crenated.
STIPULÆ brown, membranous and withered.

BRANCHES dichotomous.

PEDUNCLES supporting one flower, upright, and CALYX grooved. cally wanting.

COROLLA generally confifts of five large Petals of a roundish oval shape and yellow colour, flat, fpreading, and without any gloss on the upper side, fig, 1.

STAMINA: FILAMENTS numerous, filiform, shorter

than the Corolla; ANTHERÆ oblong, flat, bending inward, and of a yellow colour, fig. 2.
PISTILLUM: GERMINA from five to ten, oblong,

flattish, and upright; STYLES none; STIGMA-TA fimple, fig. 3.
SEED-VESSEL: fo many Capsules as Germina,

pointed, and spreading, opening at the superior

future, fig. 4.
SEEDS numerous, fomewhat oval, beautifull, at bottom of an olive, and at top of a reddish colour.

LINNEUS informs us that the Caltha is the first flower which proclaims the Spring in Lapland, and that it begins to blow about the end of May, with us it usually flowers in March and April, and last Spring, 1775, this plant was found in Blossom in the month of February, so remarkably forward was the Spring of that year.

It grows in wet Meadows and by the sides of Rivers, where it makes a very noble appearance, and when dou-

ble, is often cultivated in Gardens, where it will grow very readily if the foil be favourable.

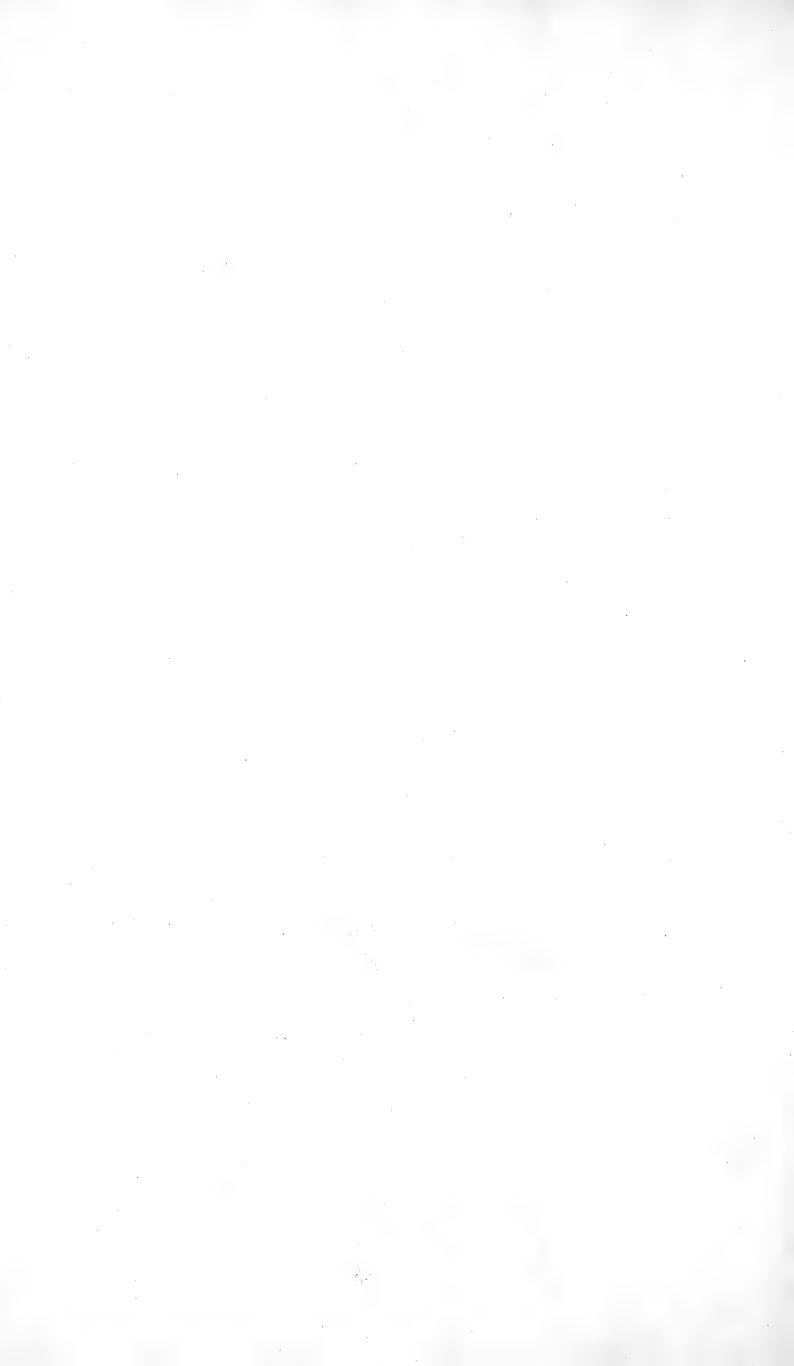
In the Country, Children collect it to ornament their Garlands on May day.

I fearce ever observed the leaves to be eaten by any animals, but the flowers are often destroyed by a species of CHRYSOMELA.

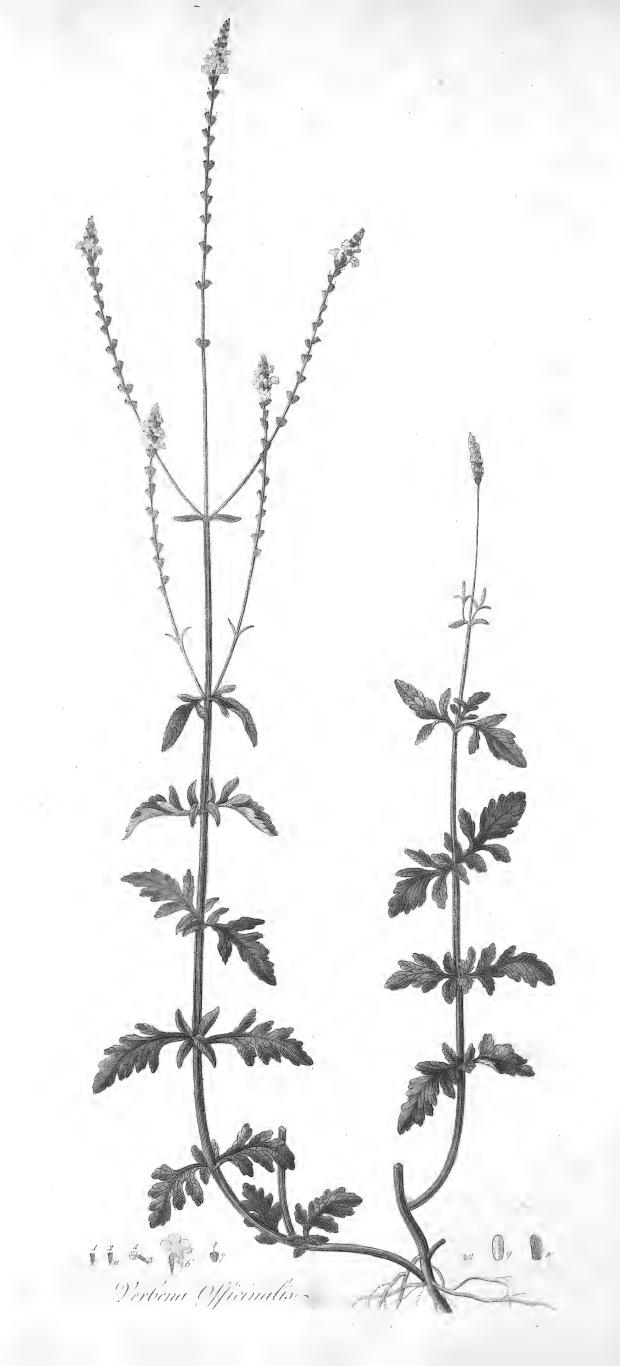
HALLER fays that it is acrid and caustic and yet that it is eaten by Cows.

The flower Buds are pickled and used as Capers.









VERBENA OFFICINALIS. VERVAIN.

VERBENA

Lin. Gen. Pl. DIDYNAMIA GYMNOSPERMIA.
Raii Gen. 14. Suffrutices, et herbæ verticillatæ.

officinalis, tetrandra, spicis filisormibus, paniculatis; foliis multisido-laciniatis, caule solitario.

Lin. Syst. Vegetab. p. 62. VERBENA

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foliis tripartitis rugosis, spicis nudis gracilissimis Haller. hist. v. 1. p. 96. communis cæruleo slore. Bauhin, Pin. 269. mas, seu recta et vulgaris. Parkinson 674. communis Gerard 664. Raii Syn. 256. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 505. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 433: VERBENA

RADIX perennis, lignofa, craffitie digiti minimi, raro & ROOT perennial, woody, about the thickness of the major, in terram profunde penetrans, fibrofa, lutescens, sapore subamaro.

CAULES plerumque plures ex eadem radice, erecti, pedales aut bipedales, quadrangulares, duo latera excavata, duo subconvexa, sulcata, idque alterne, aculeis brevibus armati, brachiati.

FOLIA opposita, sessilia, venosa, profunde dentata, aut

incifa, ad basin angustiora.
FLORES in spicas longas, filiformes, erectas dispositi, BRACTEA ovato-lanceolata, acuminata, calyce breviore fuffulti, fig. 11.
CALYX: PERIANTHIUM monophyllum, angulatum,

quinquedentatum, denticulo quinto minimo, persist-

ens, fig. 1 2, 3.

COROLLA monopetala, inæqualis, purpurascens, Tubus cylindraceus, incurvatus; Faux villosa, fig. 5;

Limbus quinquesidus, laciniis rotundatis, subæqualibus, fig. 4.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quatuor brevissima, vix confpicua, Antheræ quatuor, quarum duæ breviorcs reliquis, ejusdem formæ cum Didynamiis

fig. 6.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN tetragonum, STYLUS filiformis apice paululum incraffatus; STIGMA obtufum

PERICARPIUM nullum, Calyx continens Semina. SEMINA quatuor, oblonga, obtufa, interne planiufcula alba, externe fusca, convexa, sulcato-reticulata fig. 8, 9, 10.

little finger, feldom larger, running deep into the earth, fibrous, of a yellowish colour, and flightly bitter tafte.

STALKS: in general feveral arise from the same root, upright, from one to two feet high, four square, two sides hollowed out, two roundish and grooand that alternately, armed with short ved,

prickles, the branches alternately opposite.

LEAVES opposite, sessile, veiny, deeply indented or cut in, narrowest at bottom.

FLOWERS disposed in long filiform erect spikes, supported by an oval pointed FLORAL-LEAF shorter than the Calyx, fig. 11.
CALYX: a Perianthium of one leaf, quinquedentate,

the fifth tooth exceedingly minute, continuing, fig.

COROLLA monopetalous, unequal, purplish, the Tube cylindrical and crooked, the Mouth villous, fig. 5. the LIMB divided into five fegments, which

are round and nearly equal, fig. 4.

STAMINA: four FILAMENTS very thort and fcarce confpicuous, four ANTHERE two of which are above the others, of the same form with those of the Class Didynamia in general, fig. 6. PISTILLUM: the GERMEN four square, the STYLE fili-

form, growing thicker towards the extremity, the STIGMA obtuse, fg. 7.
PERICARPIUM wanting, the Calyx containing the Seeds.

SEEDS four, oblong, obtuse, on the inside statish and white, on the outside brown, convex, grooved and reticulated, fig. 8, 9, 10.

The Vervain may be confidered as a kind of domestic plant, not confined to any particular soil, but growing by the road sides, pretty universally at the entrance into Towns and Villages.

It produceth its blossoms in the months of August and September.

There is only one Species of this Genus which grows wild in this country, but in different parts of the world the species are numerous, and what is remarkable, some have four and others but two Stamina, hence LINNEUS ranks them among his Diandrous plants, making a division of them into such as have flores Diandri and flores Tetrandri. As our species hath four Stamina, two of which are above the other two, as the Style proceeds from the center of the four united Germina, and as four naked feeds follow, which are contained within the Calyx, we have placed it with Scopoli among the Didynamia Gymnospermia plants, a Class to which the botanic Student, who had been instructed in the Linnæan principles of Botany, would readily have been induced to refer it.

The feed of this plant has fomething remarkably curious in its appearance, on the inside it is of a snowy white,

externally brown, and beautifully reticulated.

The Plant which the Romans called Verbena, appears to have been used on particular occasions at a very early period, as a token of mutual confidence betwixt them and their Enemies. It was also confiantly applied to the purposes of Superstition and Enchantment, in making wreaths and brooms for their Altars, and chaplets for their Priests. It is probable from *Pliny's* account, that the plant which we now describe was the same with that of the Antients, but in a larger sense, they called the Laurel and Myrtle or whatever was bound round the Altar Verbena. dry harsh nature of this herb, agrees but ill with the Pinguis Verbena of Virgil, perhaps it acquired that title from being anointed with the fat of the facrifice.

In later times Vervain has been accounted a sovereign remedy in a multitude of disorders; Schroder recommends

it in upwards of thirty different complaints, on which Mr. Ray judiciously observes "Mirum tot viribus pollere plantam nulla insigni qualitate sensibili dotatam"! strange that a plant which inherits no remarkably sensible quality should possess of many virtues!

Mr. Morley a late writer on the Vervain, confiders it as extremely useful in the cure of the Schrophula or Kings evil, and in his Essay on the nature and cure of Schrophulous diseases, has given us a figure of the plant with particular directions for its use, which consists in hanging the root (which is to be of a larger or smaller size according to the age of his Patients) tied with a yard of white sattin ribband round the neck, there to be worn till they recover.

Those who know any thing of the effects of Medicines on the human body, will not easily be persuaded that such a kind of application can produce any very wonderful effect in this case, even making the greatest allowance for the powers of the imagination; and Mr. Morley as if sensible of the inefficacy of his Vervain Amulet, calls to his assistance a number of powerful medicines, among others we find Mercury, Antimony, Hemlock, Jalap, &c; and by a repeated and of times a long continued application of Baths, Cataplasins, Ointments, Poultices, Plaisters, &c. and the exhibition of gentle purges and alterative medicines, some have been relieved and others cured; but can any one hence infer with any degree of reason that the Vervain Root had any share in the cure? certainly no; out of all Mr. Morley's cases there is not one which proves it, and the virtues of this plant still remain to be ascertained by all Mr. Morley's cases there is not one which proves it, and the virtues of this plant still remain to be ascertained by rational experiments.

It should be observed that the Schrophula is a disease which at certain periods of life and at certain seasons of the year, is liable to be much worse than at others, and frequently exceeding bad cases of this kind have been cured by

the most simple applications.

Many people have no doubt applied to Mr. Morley from a supposition that his motives were perfectly disinterested, and it must be confessed that there are Empirics much more mercenary and infinitely more dangerous; yet it does not appear but Mr. Morley acts nearly on the same principle with other Practioners in Physick, with this difference in deed, that they receive their fees in specie, he takes his in kind.

That we may not be thought to act disingenously by Mr. Morley we shall quote his own words—"Many many

Guineas have been offered me but I never take any money. Sometimes indeed genteel People have fent me small acknowledgements of Tea, Wine, Venison, &c. Generous ones, small pieces of Plate or other little Presents. Even neighbouring Farmers a Goose or Turkey, &c. by way of Thanks.

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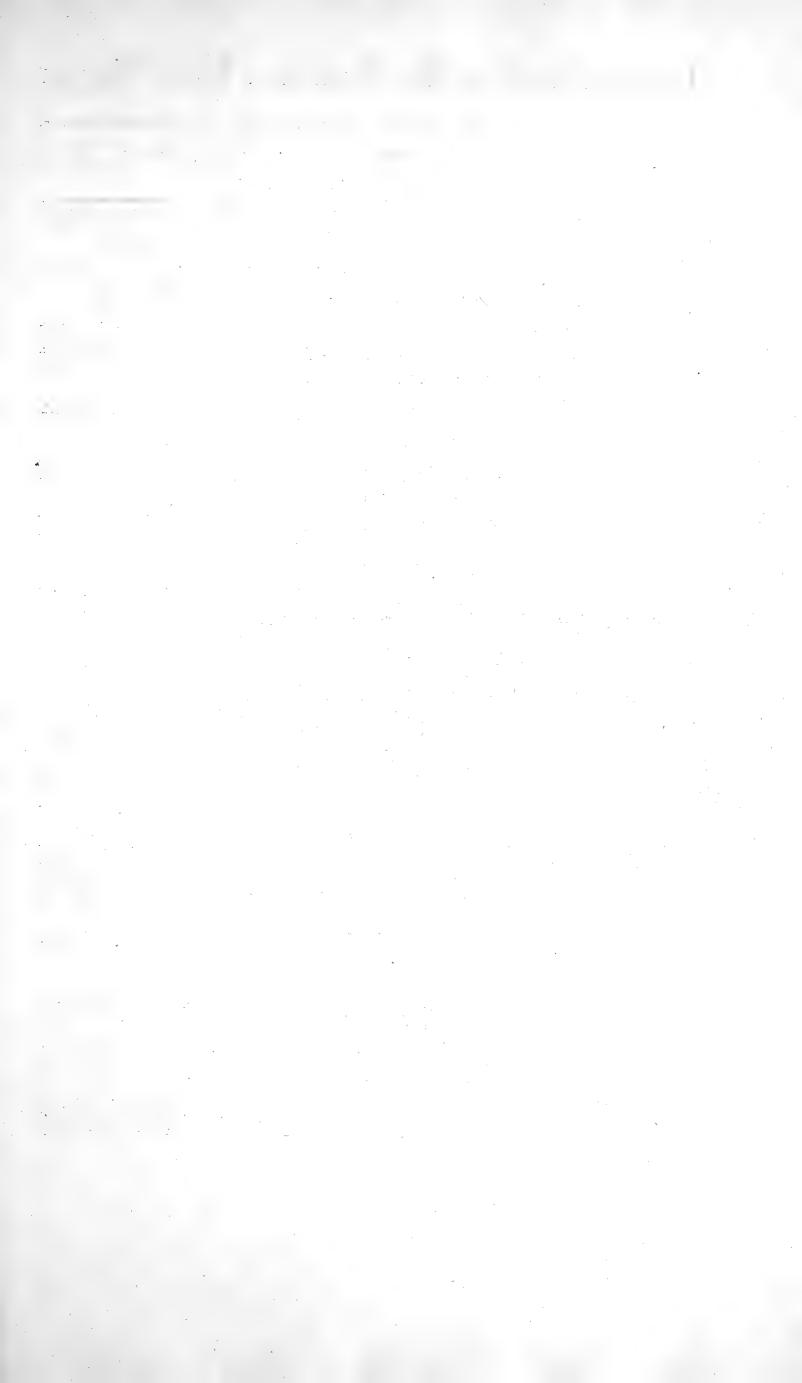
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LAMIUM PURPUREUM. RED LAMIUM OR DEAD NETTLE.

- LAMIUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIDYNAMIA GYMNOSPERMIA. Corollæ labium superius integrum, fornicatum, labium inferius bilobum; faux utrinque margine dentata. Lin. Descrip. Gen. abbrev. Raii Syn. Gen. 14. Suffrutices et Herbæ Verticillatæ.
- LAMIUM purpureum foliis cordatis obtufis petiolatis. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 446. Sp. Pl. 809. FJ. Suecic. 203.
- LAMIUM foliis cordatis, obtufis, in fummo ramo congestis. Haller. inst. v. 1. 118.
- LAMIUM purpureum. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 407. n. 701.
- LAMIUM purpureum fætidum, felio subrotundo, sive Galeopsis Dioscoridis. Baubin. pin. 230. Lamium rubrum. Gerard emac. 703. Parkinson. 604. Raii. Synopsis Small Dead Nettle or red Archangel 240. Hudson. Fl. Angl. 225. Oeder. Fl. Dan. icon. 523.

- RADIX annua, fibrofa.

 CAULES plures, ad basin debiles, et ramosi, prope furmitatem fere nudi, et sæpe colorati, semipedales, quadrangulares, fiftulofi, fcrabiufculi.
- FOLIA opposita, venosa, hirsutula, inferiora subrotundo-cordata, crenata, longe petiolata: fuperiora ovato-cordata, obtufe ferrata, petiolis brevibus insidentia, alterne opposita, reflexa, dense et imbricatim congesta, et rubedine tincta.
- FLORES purpurei, in fummis caulibus verticillatim denfius flipati. Verticilli multiflori.
- CALYX: Perianthium monophyllum, tubulatum, fuperne patentius, quinquedentatum, substriatum, hirsutulum, dentibus subæqualibus, acuminatis. fig. 1.
- COROLLA monopetala, ringens, pallide purpurea, fig. 2; Tubus brevis, cylindraceus, fig. 6; FAUX inflata, margineutroquebidentata, fig. 4; denticulo fuperiori ipinæ fimili, inferiore obtufiore, maculâ notata; labium superius, fig. 3, ovatum, conca-vum, villosulum, integrum, labium inferius bilobum, maculatum, lobis patentibus. fig. 5.
- STAMINA: FILAMENTA quatuor, fubulata, alba, fub labio fuperori tecta, quorum duo longiora, fig. 7; ANTHERE oblongæ, barbatæ, polline croceo
- repletæ. fig. 8. PISTILLUM: GERMEN quadrifidum; STYLUS filiformis, longitudine et situstaminum; STIGMA bisidum,
- acutum, fig.9, 10, 11. SEMINA 4 in fundo calycis, pallida, triangularia, apice truncata, marginata, fg. 12.

ROOT

ROOT annual and fibrous. STALKS feveral, at bottom weak and branched, near the top almost naked, and frequently coloured, fix inches or more in height, quadrangular,

hollow, and flightly rough.

LEAVES opposite, veiny, flightly hairy, the lower ones of a roundish-heart shaped form, notched, and placed on footstalks, the uppermost ones oval-heart-shaped, obtusely serrated, with short footstalks, alternately opposite, growing thickly together, bent back and laying one over another, of a reddish colour.

FLOWERS purple, growing thickly together on the tops of the stalks in whirls; many flowers in

each whirl.

CALYX: a Perianthium of one leaf, tubular, at top fpreading, with five teeth, fomewhat striated and hairy, the teeth nearly equal and long pointed. fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetalous, gaping, of a pale purple colour, fig. 2; the TUBE short and cylindrical, fig. 6; the ENTRANCE OF THE TUBE inflated, the margin on each fide furnished with two teeth, fig. 4; the uppermost pointed like a thorn, the lowermost blunter with a spot on it; the upper lip fig. 3; oval, hollow, slightly villous, entire, the under lip divided into two lobes, spreading a little from one another, and spotted, fig. 5.

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STAMINA: four FILAMENTS, tapering and white, hid under the upper lip, two of which are longer than the rest fig. 7; the ANTHERÆ oblong, bearded, and and full of a yellow pollen fig. 8.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN quadrisid; STYLUS filiform, the length of the Stamina; STIGMA bisid and

pointed fig. 9, 10, 11.
SEEDS 4 in the bottom of the Calyx, of a pale brown, triangular, cut off as it were at top, with a margin round them, fig. 12.

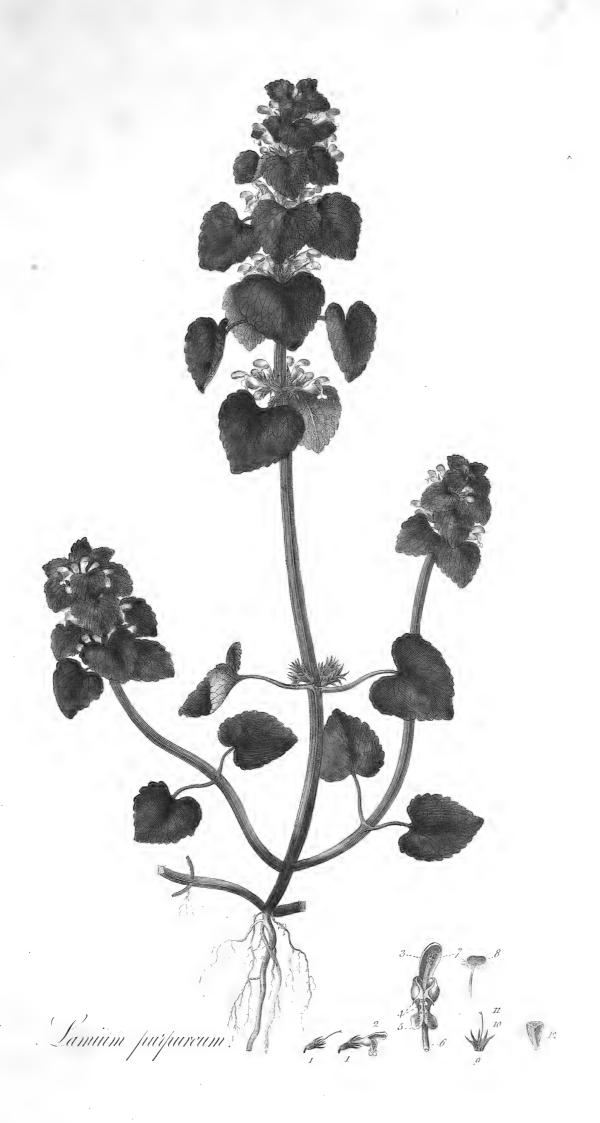
Although this plant may perhaps with propriety be confidered as a Weed in Gardens, yet the bright colour of its tops and flowers, joined to its early appearance, contributes not a little to ornament our banks in the Spring, when few other plants appear in bloffom.

The Flowers are most commonly of a bright red colour, sometimes white, and are much resorted to by Bees of various kinds.

The Leaves and Flowers are those parts of the plant, which are used in Medicine, although in the present

practice they are fearer regarded.

According to Linnæus it is boiled in *Upland*, a Province of *Sweden*, as a pot herb. A Variety of this plant occurs not unfrequently about Town, which has its leaves more deeply indented. Ray calls it *Lamium rubrum rubrum foliis profunde incifis*. I have found it growing on a bank on the right hand fide of the way between *Pimlico* and Chelsea.









BASIL THYME. THYMUS ACINOS.

THYMUS Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIDYNAMIA GYMNOSPERMIA.

Calycis bilabiati faux villis clausa.

Raii Synop. Gen. 14. SUFFRUTICES ET HERBÆ VERTICILLATÆ.

THYMUS Acinos caulibus adscendentibus, foliis dentato-serratis, calycibus basi ventricosis.

THYMUS Acinos floribus verticillatis, pedunculis unifloris caulibus erectis fubramofis, foliis acutis, ferratis. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. p. 452. Flor. Suecic. p. 209.

CLINOPODIUM foliis ovatis acutis ferratis, flore foliis breviore. Haller. hift. helv. n. 237.

THYMUS Acinos. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 426. n. 735.

CLINOPODIUM arvense ocimi facie. Bauhin. pin. p. 225.

CLINOPODIUM minus five vulgare. Parkinfon. 21.

OCYMUM fylvestre. Gerard. emac. 675.

ACINOS multis. Baubin. bist. 32. 259. Raii Syn. p. 238. Wild Basil. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 230.

RADIX annua, fimplex, fibrofa.

CAULES adfcendentes, femipedales, tetragoni, ramofi, hirfuti, purpurafcentes; RAMI cauli fimiles longi, patentes, imi oppositi.

FOLIA opposita, petiolata, ovato-acuta, medium interius petiolo proximum integrum, exterius mucroni proximum dentatum, margines paululum reflexi, ciliati, nervo medio venisque subtus hirsutis, superne vix hirsuta, impunctata, venis quam in serpyllo profundius exaratis.

FLORES pedunculati, verticillati, spicati, plerumque

fex in fingulo verticillo.

CALYX: Perianthium monophyllum, tubulatum, basi ventricosum, striatum, hirsutum, quinquedentatum, dentibus tribus superioribus brevioribus, reflexis, inferioribus fetaceis, fauce villis clauso, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetala, tubulofa, purpurea, bilabiata, labium fuperius brevius, obtufum, reflexum, emarginatum, inferius trifidum, laciniis fubrotundis, medio productiore subemarginato, macula alba, lunulata, prominente, notata, fig. 3, 4, 5.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quatuor, quorum duo longiora, Corollà breviora; Antheræ parvæ,

rubræ, fig. 6. PISTILLUM: GERMEN quadripartitum; STYLUS filiformis longitudine Staminum; STIGMA bifidum, acutum, fig. 7.
PERICARPIUM nullum

SEMINA quatuor oblonga intra Calycem, fig. 8, 9.

ROOT annual, fimple and fibrous.

STALKS adfcending, about fix inches high, fquare, branched, hirfute, purplifh; Branches like the ftalk, long, fpreading, the bottom ones

opposite.
LEAVES opposite, standing on foot-stalks, of a pointed oval shape, the inner middle part of them next the foot-stalks entire, the outer middle part next the point indented, the edges turned a little back and ciliated, the midrib and veins on the under fide of the leaf hirfute, the upper furface of the leaves fearcely hairy, without any dots, the veins deeper than in the common Wild Thyme.

Thyme.

FLOWERS growing on foot-stalks, in whirls, forming a spike, generally six in each whirl.

CALYX: a Perianthium of one leaf, tubular, bellying out at bottom, striated, hirsute, having sive teeth, the three uppermost of which are shortest and turned back, the lower ones slender and tapering, the moth closed up with short hairs, for. I.

fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetalous, tubular, purple, having two lips, the uppermost of which is shortest, blunt, turned back, with a slight notch in it; the lowermost divided into three roundish segments, the middle one of which is longer than the others, very flightly notched in, and marked with a raifed white femilunar spot, fig. 3, 4, 5.

STAMINA: four FILAMENTS, two long and two short, within the Corolla; ANTHERÆ small

and red, fig. 6.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN divided into four parts; STYLE filiform, the length of the Stamina; STIGMA bifid and acute, fig. 7.

SEED-VESSEL none. SEEDS. Four oblong feeds within the Calyx, fig. 8, 9.

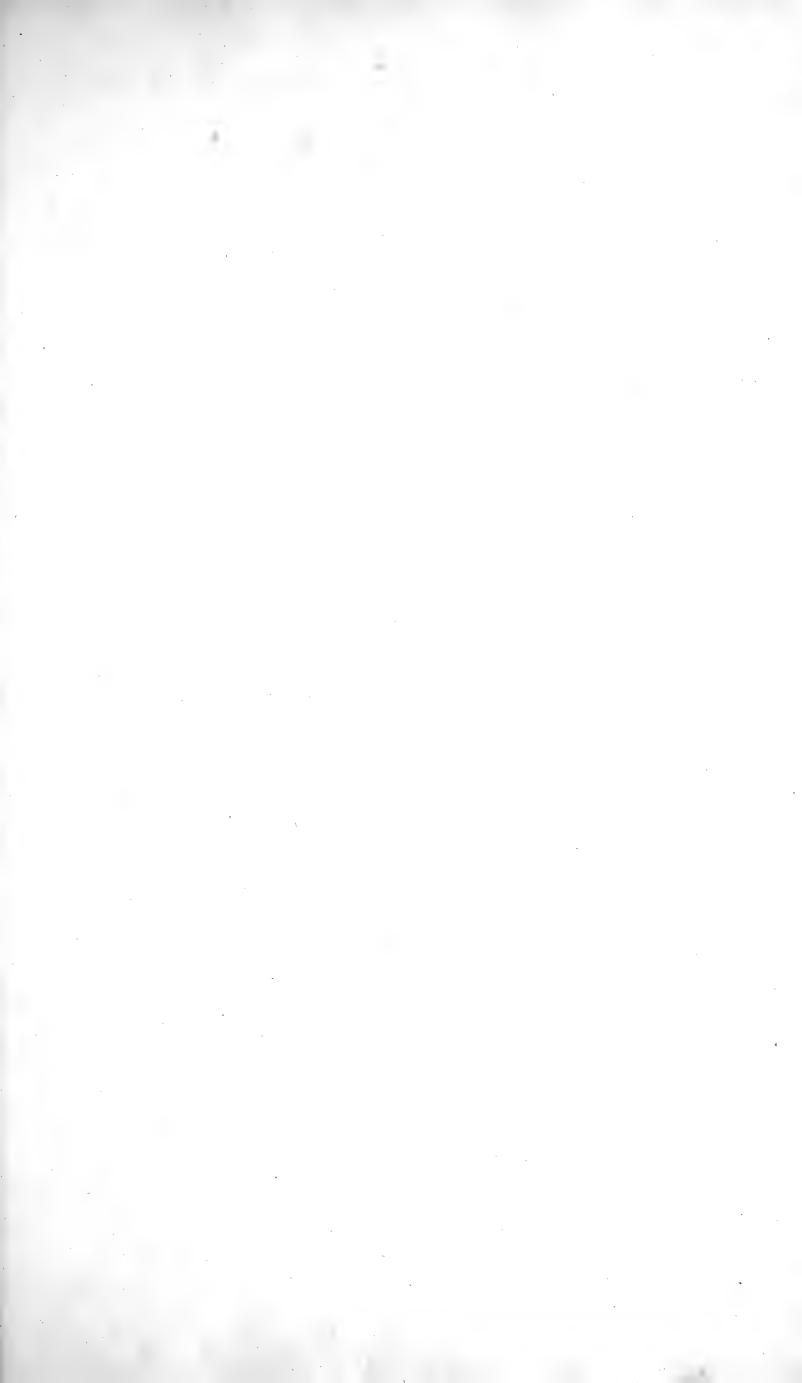
As there are only two species of Thyme growing wild in this Kingdom, and those very different from each other, the young Botanist cannot be at a loss in distinguishing them; with the Thymus alpinus, (figured by that accurate Botanist Jacquin, in his Fl. Austriac, who has contributed much to the advancement of botanic knowledge,) this plant has a much greater affinity, but may be distinguished by attending to the fize of the flowers and the shape of the Calyx: the flowers of the alpinus are nearly twice as large as those of the acinos, and the Calyx of the latter has a protuberance at its base which we do not find either in the alpinus or serpyllum; a white circular mark in the mouth of the flowers, makes the blossoms of this species strikingly different from those of Wild Thyme.

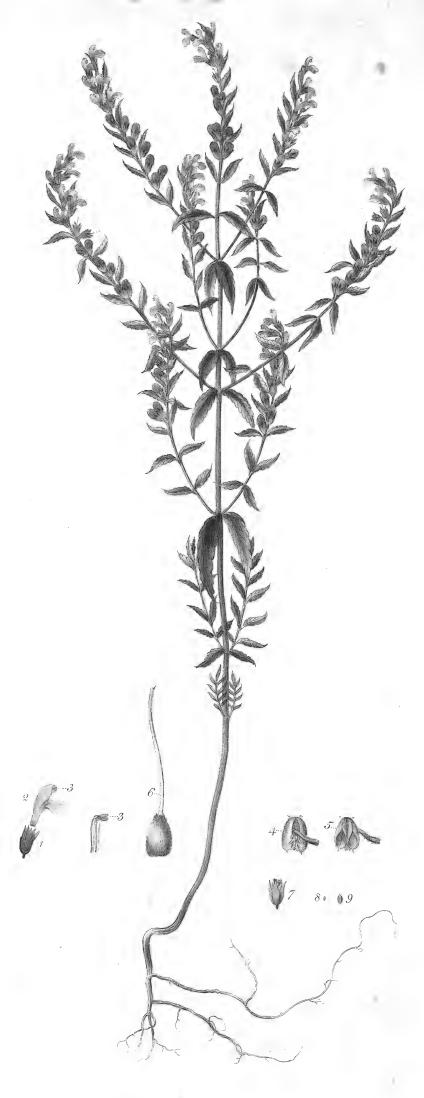
The most common place of growth for this plant is in uncultivated fields, particularly where the soil is chalky, about Charlton it is found in abundance, flowering in July and August.

A variety with a white flower sometimes occurs.

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The fame agreeable aromatic flavour predominates in this species as in the Wild Thyme, whence it is probable that their virtues are very fimilar.





Eufehrusia Odontites.

EUPHRASIA ODONTITES. RED EYE-BRIGHT.

EUPHRASIA Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIDYNAMIA ANGIOSPERMIA.

Raii Syn. Gen. HERBÆ FRUCTU SICCO SINGULARI FLORE MONOPETALO.

EUPHRASIA Odontites foliis linearibus: omnibus ferratis. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. Sp. Pl. p. 841. Fl, Suecic. p. 213. n. 544.

ODONTITES bractais ferratis hirfutis. Haller. bift. v. 1. p. 134. n. 304.

EUPHRASIA Odontites. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 435.

EUPHRASIA pratenfis rubra. Bauhin Pin. p. 234.

EUPHRASIA pratenfis rubra major. Parkinson 1329.

CRATÆOGONON Euphrosyne. Ger. emac. 91. Raii Syn. p.* 284. Eye-bright Cow-wheat. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 234.

RADIX annua, fimplex, fibrofa, lignea.

CAULIS erectus, ramofissimus, semipedalis, ad bipeda-lem, hirsutus, obtuse quadrangularis.

RAMI cauli fimiles, oppositi.

FOLIA alterne opposita, sessilia, lineari-lanceolata, reflexa, rariter dentata, hirfutula, venofa, venis parvis, fubtus hirfutis.

BRACTEÆ lanceolatæ, fuberectæ, purpurascentes.

FLORES spicati, secundi, spicis apice subnutantibus,

CALYX: Perianthium monophyllum, tubulofum, quadridentatum, hirfutum, dentibus æqualibus, acutis, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetala, ringens, labium fuperius concavum, fubemarginatum, inferius tripartitum, laciniis obtusis, æqualibus, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quatuor, quorum duo paulo breviora, alba; Antheræ bilobæ, biloculares, apice filamentofæ, basi spinulis duabus terminatæ, deorsum ubi filamentum inseritur appendiculis clavatis pluribus instructæ, fig. 3, 4, 5.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN ovatum, hirsutulum; STYLUS filiformis, in flore nondum explicato sub labio superiore Corollæ involutus, postea Corollæ longior; STIGMA capitatum, fig. 6.

bilocularis, fig. 7.

SEMINA plurima, albida, striata, fig. 8.

ROOT annual, fimple, fibrous, and woody.

STALK upright, very much branched, from fix inches to two feet high, hirfute, and obtufely square.

BRANCHES like the stalk and opposite.

LEAVES alternately opposite, fessile, betwixt linear and lanceolate, turning back, thinly indented, slightly hirfute, veiny, veins few and hirfute underneath.

BRACTEÆ lanceolate, nearly upright, purplish.

FLOWERS growing in fpikes of a red colour, inclined all one way, the fpikes nodding a little at

CALYX: a Perianthium of one leaf, tubular, quadridentate, hirfute, the teeth equal and sharp, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetalous, gaping, the upper lip concave and flightly notched in; the lower lip divided into three, obtuse, equal segments, fig, 2.

STAMINA: four FILAMENTS, two fomewhat longest, white; ANTHERÆ composed of two lobes and two cavities, at top thready, at bottom terminated by two little fpines, and on the back part where the filament is inferted, furnished with feveral fmall club-shaped threads or appendages, fig. 3, 4, 5.

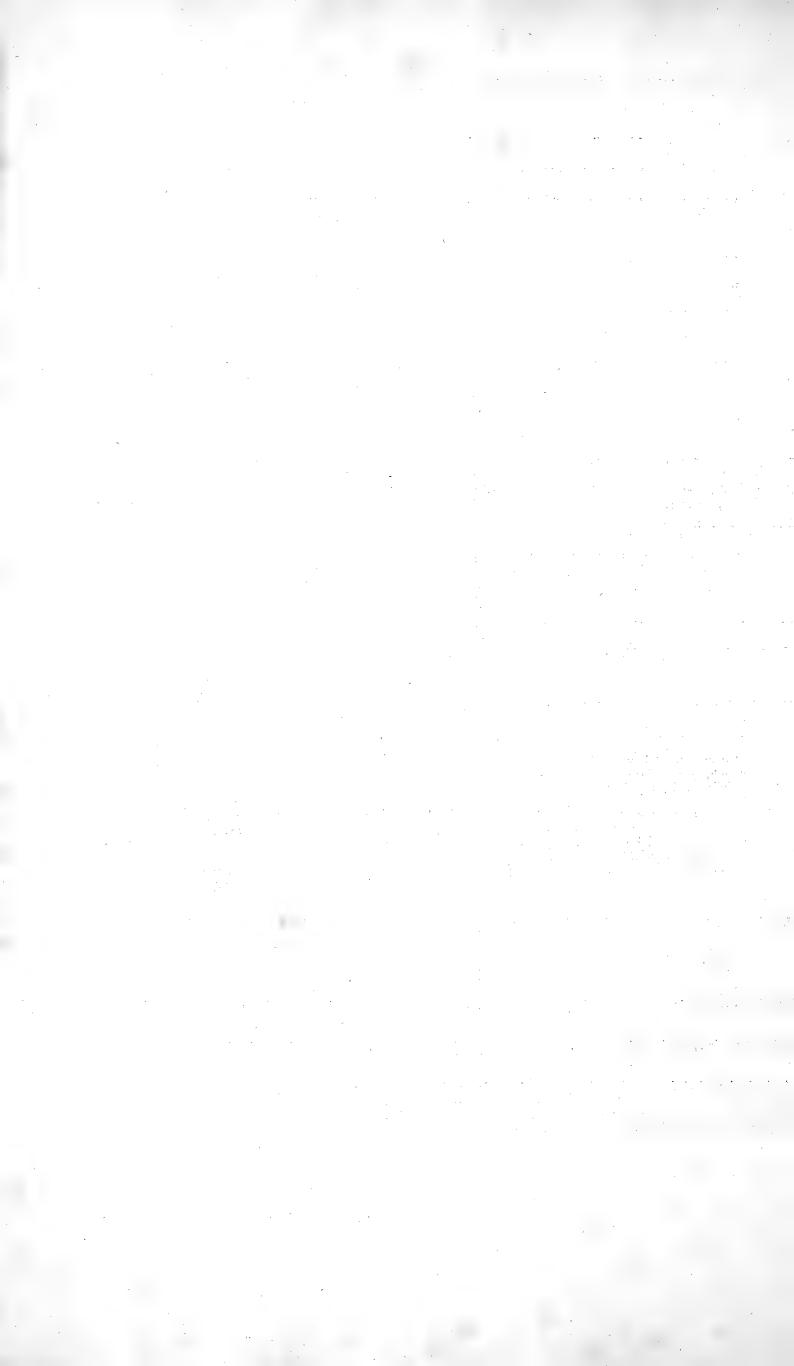
PISTILLUM: GERMEN oval, hirfute; STYLE filiform, before the flower opens bent in underneath the upper lip of the Corolla; afterwards longer than the Corolla; STIGMATA forming a little head, fig. 6.

PERICARPIUM: Capsula ovato-oblonga, compressa, 🕏 SEED-VESSEL an oval, oblong, flattish Capsule, of two cavities, fig. 7.

SEEDS feveral, whitish and striated, fig. 8.

This species of *Eyebright*, which is exceedingly different from the common fort, grows very common in Pastures, sometimes in Corn-fields, and flowers in July and August: it differs very much in fize according to the place it grows in, and is now and then found with white flowers.

It is not remarked either for its beauty or utility.



ANTIRRHINUM CYMBALARIA. IVY-LEAV'D ANTIRRHINUM.

ANTIRRHINUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIDYNAMIA ANGIOSPERMIA.

Raii Syn. HERBÆ FRUCTU SICCO SINGULARI FLORE MONOPETALO.

ANTIRRHINUM Cymbalaria foliis cordatis quinquelobis alternis, caulibus procumbentibus. Linnai Syft. Vegetab. p. 464. Sp. Pl. p. 851.

ANTIRRHINUM caule repente, foliis reniformibus, quinquelobatis. Haller hift. p. 146. n. 339.

ANTIRRHINUM Cymbalaria Scopoli Fl. Carniol. n. 770.

CYMBALARIA Baukin pin. 306.

LINARIA hederaceo folio glabro, feu Cymbalaria vulgaris. Tourn. 169. Garidel. 287. Gouan. Fl. Monfp. p. 100. Gerard Fl. Galloprov. p. 292. Raii Syn. p. *282. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 237.

Tota Planta glabra, cum odore ingrato.

RADIX perennis, fibrofa, intra fisfuras murorum penetrans; eradicatione difficilis.

CAULES plures, confertim nascuntur, basi repentes, procumbentes, ramofi, teretes, glabri, purpurascentes, nervo intus duriore et tenaciore sicut in Alfine.

FOLIA quinquelobata, glabra, fubcarnofa, oppofita, aut alterna, sæpe purpurascentia, fig. 12.

PETIOLI longi, fuperne fulcati.

PEDUNCULI teretes, petiolis paulo longiores.

lanceolatis, perfistentibus, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetala, ringens; Tubus brevis, fig. 6; COROLLA monopetalous, ringent; the Tube short, Limbus bilabiatus, labium superius bisidum, fig. 6: the Limb divided into two lips; the reflexum, purpureum, venis duabus faturatioribus firiatum, fig. 2. inferius trifidum, laciniis fubrotundis, albidis, fig. 3; PALATUM prominens, bifidum, flavum, fig. 5, FAUX villofum,

calycis, fig. 5.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quatuor, duo breviora; ANTHERÆ bilobæ, albæ, conniventes, fg. 7.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN subrotundum, purpureum; STYLUS filiformis; STIGMA obtufum, fig. 8.

PERICARPIUM CAPSULA fubrotunda, rugofa, feminibus protuberantibus, bivalvis, valvis apice in plures lacinias dehiscentibus, fig. 9, 10.

SEMINA nigra, fubrotunda, rugofa, fig. 10.

The whole plant smooth, with a disagreeable smell.

ROOT perennial, fibrous, penetrating between the crevices of the walls, and fcarce to be eradi-

STALKS numerous, growing in a kind of tuft, creeping at bottom, procumbent, branched, round, fmooth, purplish, and stringy as in Chickweed.

quinquelobate, smooth, somewhat sleshy, ‡ LEAVES fome of them opposite, others alternate, frequently purplish, fig. 12.

FOOT-STALKS of the leaves long, on the upper part grooved.

FOOT-STALKS of the flowers, round, a little longer than the foot-stalks of the leaves.

CALYX: Perianthium quinquepartitum, laciniis \$ CALYX: a Perianthium divided into five fegments, which are lanceolate and continuing, fig. 1.

> upper lip bifid, turning back, and purple, ftriped with two veins of a deeper colour, fig. 2; the lower lip trifid, the fegments round and whitish, fig. 3; the PALATE prominent, bisid, and yellow, fig. 4; the Mouth or entrance into the tube villous and saffron-coloured.

NEECTARIUM purpureum, conicum, longitudine * NECTARY purple, conical, the length of the Calyx, fig. 5.

> STAMINA: four FILAMENTS, two fhort and two long; ANTHERÆ composed of two lobes, white and connivent, fig. 7.

> PISTILLUM: GERMEN roundish and purple; STYLE filiform; STIGMA blunt, fig. 8.

> SEED-VESSEL a roundish Capsule, furface uneven, from the feeds protuberating, of two valves, which open at top into feveral laciniæ, fig.

SEEDS black, roundish and wrinkled, fig. 10.

that there is no possibility of mistaking it. It is found in great plenty in all those parts near London, that lay within the reach of the Thames; the seeds are carried by the flux and reflux of the tide up and down the river, and left at high water mark in the crevices of old walls, where they take root and encrease very fast. It is supposed to have been introduced to us from Italy, whether for the purposes of ornament or medicine is uncertain. The Walls of the Physic Garden, at Chelsea, from whence it has probably originated in this country, are This Species of Antirrhinum is so perfectly distinct from all the others which grow wild in this country,

The Walls of the *Physic Garden*, at *Chelsea*, from whence it has probably originated in this country, are plentifully covered with it; it may also be found on the *Temple* Walls, and at the sides of the stream running under Vauxhall Turnpike.

In some situations the leaves grow much larger than those of the annexed specimen.



Antirrhinum Combataria.



ANTIRCHMUM ELATANE. SHARF-POINTED FLUELIEN

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ANTIRRHINUM Lin. Gen. Pl. DIDYNAMIA ANGIOSPERMIA.

Raii Syn. Gen. 18. Herbæ fructu sicco sinculari, flore monopetalo irregu-

ANTIRRHINUM foliis hastatis alternis, caulibus procumbentibus. Linn. Sp. Pl. 85.

ANTIRRHINUM caule procumbente, foliis hastatis, imis conjugatis, superioribus alternis. Haller hist. v. 1.

p. 14. 6. n. 340.

ELATINE folio acuminato, in basi auriculato, slore luteo. Baubin Pin. 253.

ELATINE folio acuminato. Parkinson 553.

ELATINE altera. Gerard emac. 623.

LINARIA Elatine dicta, folio acuminato. Raii Syn. *282.

ANTIRRHINUM Elatine. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 237. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 444. OEder. Fl. Dan. Ic. 426-

TOTA PLANTA pilofa.
RADIX fibrofa, annua, albida,
CAULES numerofi, teretes, fubramofi, in junioribus
plantis fuberecti, tandem procumbentes, ad duos pedes et ultra sæpe extensi.

FOLIA petiolata, ima fubrotunda, opposita; proxima dentata, alterna; quæ sequuntur magna ex parte

PEDUNCULI axillares, alterni, penduli, longitudine foliorum.

CALYX: PERIANTHIUM quinquepartitum, persistens, fegmentis ovato-lanceolatis acutis, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetala, ringens, flava; TUBUS breviffimus; LIMBUS bilabiatus, labium superius bisidum, segmentis obtusis, inferne purpureis, inferius trisidum, segmentis obtusis, medio productiore, et paulo minore; PALATUM prominulum, flavum, fig. 2; NECTARIUM subulatum, flavum, longitudine segmentorum calycis, fig. 3.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quatuor, quorum duo paulo longiora; ANTHERÆ purpureo-fuscæ, coales-

centes, fig. 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN fubrotundum, compressium, apice villosum; STYLUS filiformis, longitudine staminum, apice incrassatus, uncinatus; STIG-

MA fimplex, fig. 5, 6, 7.
PERICARPIUM: CAPSULA rotunda, bilocularis, bivalvis, valvis deciduis, foramine magno in utroque latere capfulæ relicto, valvæ orbiculatæ, con-

cavæ, fig. 8, 9, 10.

SEMINA nigra, rugofa, 8--10 in fingulo loculamento, SEEDS black, and wrinkled, from 8 to 10 in each cavifig. 12.

THE WHOLE PLANT hairy.

ROOT fibrous, annual, whitish.

STALKS numerous, round, a little branched, in the young plants nearly upright, in the old ones trailing on the ground, frequently to the diftance of two feet or more.

LEAVES standing on foot-stalks, the bottom leaves roundish and opposite, the next to those are indented and alternate, and those which follow are for the most part hastate.

PEDUNCLES alternate, pendulous, the length of, and proceeding from the Alæ of the leaves.

CALYX: a Perianthium divided into five fegments

perfifting, the fegments lanceolate, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetalous, ringent, and yellow; the
TUBE very fhort; the LIMB divided into two lips, the upper lip bifid, the fegments obtufe; and purple underneath; the lower lip trifid, the fegments obtufe, the middle one longest and least; the PALATE prominent and yellow, fig. 2; the NECTARIUM the length of the fegments of the Calyx, small and tapering, fig.

STAMINA four FILAMENTS, two of which are a little longer than the others; the ANTHERÆ purplish-brown, adhering together, fig. 4.
PISTILLUM: the GERMEN roundish, flattened, at top

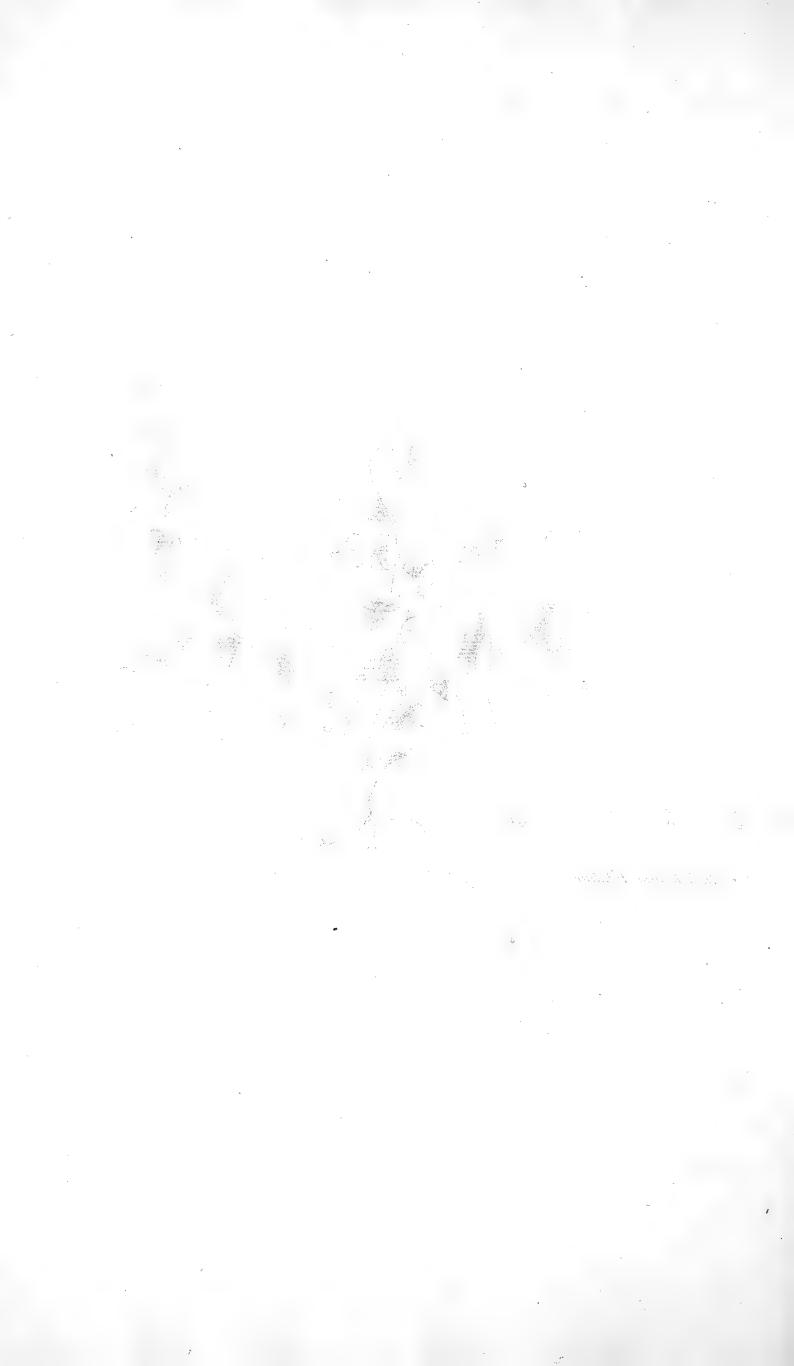
hairy; the STYLE filiform, the length of the Stamina, thickened at top and hooked; the STIGMA fimple, fig. 5, 6, 7.
SEED-VESSEL: a round CAPSULE of two cavities

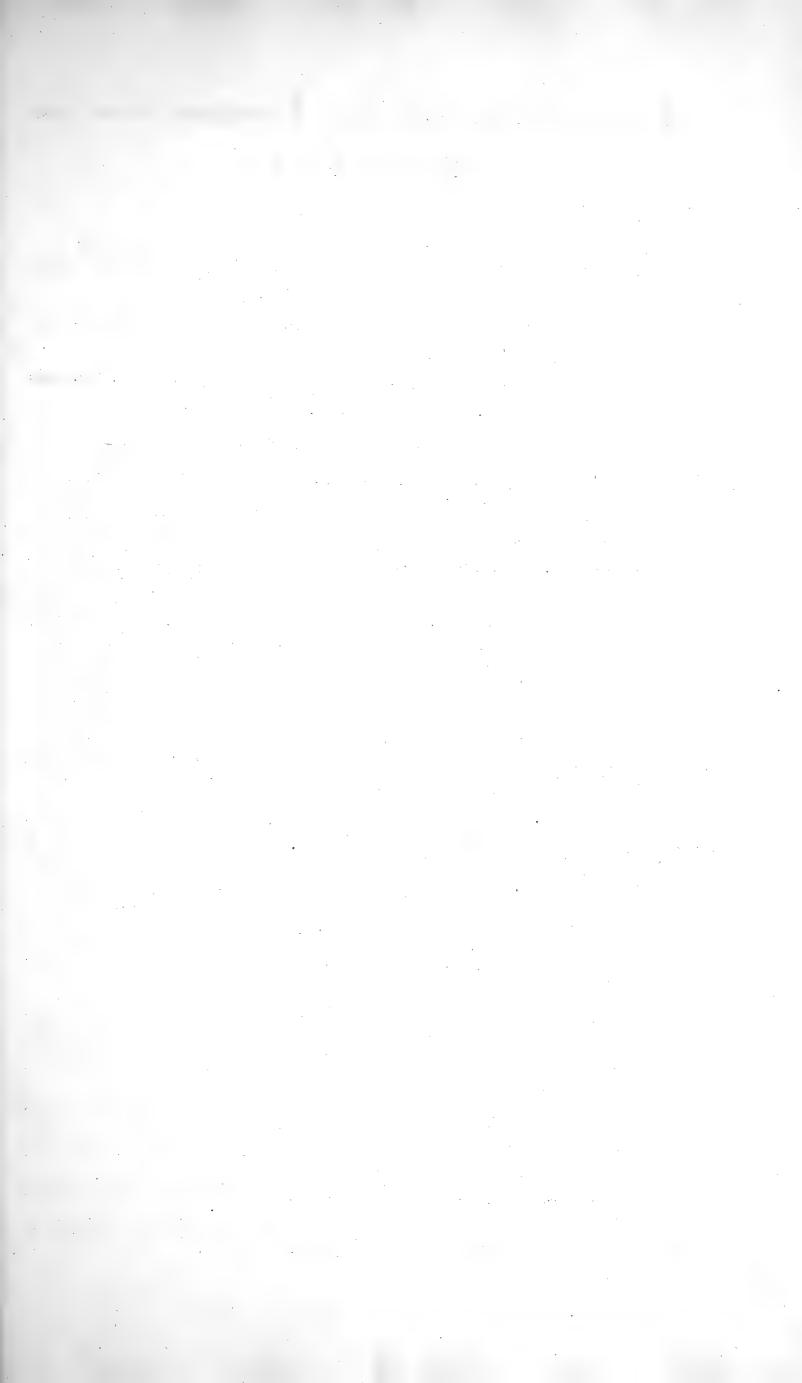
and two valves, the valves round and concave, on falling off leaving a large hole in each fide

ty, fig. 12.

THIS species of Antirrhinum grows generally in Corn-fields, and in some parts of England is much more common than it is with us; in the Corn-fields about Peckham I have generally found it in bloom in July, August and September, and even later; it very much resembles the Antirrhinum spurium in its general habit, but is readily distinguished by its pointed leaves. Some Writers have considered it as possessed of healing properties, and affirm that the expressed juice of the plant, or its distilled water taken inwardly and applied externally, has checked and cured spreading and cancerous Ulcers; and RAY relates a Story from LOBEL of a poor Barber, who by the above use of this plant, saved his Nose, which had been condemned to be cut off by several eminent Physicians and Surgeons. veral eminent Physicians and Surgeons.







Antirrhinum Linaria. Common yellow

TOAD FLAX.

ANTIRRHINUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIDYNAMIA ANGIOSPERMIA.

Raii Syn. Gen. 18. HERBÆ FRUCTU SICCO SINGULARI FLORE MONOPETALO.

ANTIRRHINUM Linaria foliis lanceolato-linearibus confertis, caule erecto, spicis terminalibus sessilibus, floribus imbricatis. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. p. 466. Fl. Suecic. 217.

ANTIRRHINUM foliis linearibus adscendentibus congestis, caule erecto spicato. Haller. bist. V. 1. p. 145.

LINARIA vulgaris lutea flore majore. Bauhin pin. p. 212.

LINARIA lutea vulgaris. Gerard emac. 550. vulgaris nostras. Parkinson 458. Raii Syn. p. *281. Hudson

Fl. Angl. p. 238. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 442:

CAULES plerumque plures ex eadem radice, erecti, STALKS: generally feveral arise from the same root, pedales aut cubitales, foliosissimi, teretes, læves. upright, from one to two feet high, very full

FOLIA linearia, acuta, conferta, sparsa, glauca.

CALYX: Perianthium quinquepartitum, breve, per-fistens, laciniis ovato-lanceolatis, superiore cæte-ris paulo longiore, duabus inferioribus magis

COROLLA monopetala ringens, lutea, fig. 3. Tubus brevis; Limbus bilabiatus, fig. 4. Labium fuperius bifidum, laciniis primum deflexis, postea reflexis conniventibus, fig. 5; Labium inferius trifidum, laciniis obtus, intermedio breviore minore, fig. 6; Faux clausa Palato prominente, bisido, croceo, ad basin villoso, fig. 7.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quatuor, alba, fub labio fuperiori inclusa, quorum duo breviora, ad basin villosa, fig. 9; ANTHERE flavæ, conniventes,

together, fig. 10.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN subrotundum, Stylus filifor- PISTILLUM: GERMEN roundish, Style filiform and

15, 16. into feveral divisions, fig. 14, 15, 16. SEMINA numerosa, nigra, plana, medio extuberantia, SEEDS numerous, black, flat, protuberant in the midfig. 17.

RADIX perennis, alba, dura, lignofa, per terram reptando immensium se propagans. ROOT perennial, white, hard and woody, creeping under the earth, and propagating itself very much.

upright, from one to two feet high, very full of leaves, round and smooth.

LEAVES linear, pointed, growing very thick together on the stalk without any regular order, smooth, and of a blueish colour.

FLORES lutei, palato croceo, in fummis caulibus in FLOWERS yellow, with the palate of an orange or fpicas denfas imbricatim congesti. fpikes on the top of the Stalks.

CALYX: a PERIANTHIUM divided into five fegments fhort and continuing, the fegments oval and pointed, the upper one a little longer than the

pointed, the upper one a little longer than the rest, the two inferior ones gaping widest, fig. 1. COROLLA monopetalous, ringent, and yellow, fig. 3; the Tube short; the Limb composed of two Lips, fig. 4; the upper Lip bisid, the segments first bending down, afterwards turned back and closing together, fig. 5; the lower Lip trisid, the segments obtuse, the middle one shortest and least, fig. 6: the Mouth closed by a Paand least, fig. 6; the Mouth closed by a PA-LATE prominent, bifid, of a faffron colour, and villous at bottom, fig. 7.

STAMINA: four white FILAMENTS, inclosed under the upper lip of the Corolla, two of which are fhorter than the other two, at bottom villous, fig. 9: ANTHER # yellow, flightly connected

mis, albus; STIGMA obtusum.

PERICARPIUM: Capsula ovato-cylindracea, bilocularis, apice in plures lacinias dehiscens, fg. 14, the state of the state fhape, having two cavities, and splitting at top into several divisions, fig. 14, 15, 16.

dle, fig. 17.

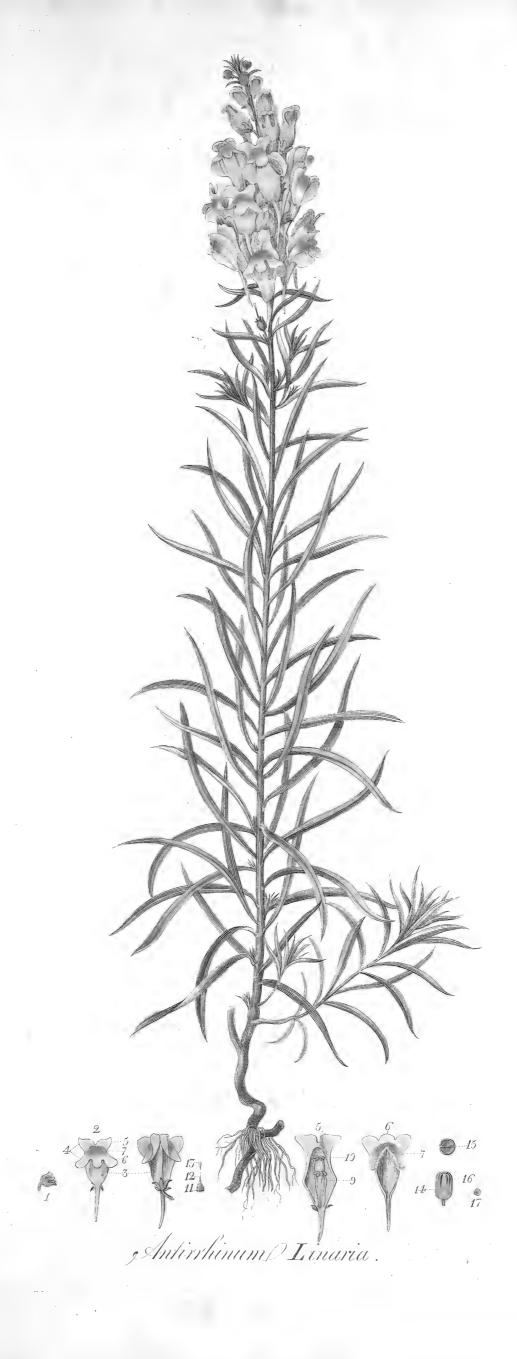
Mr. Ray in his Historia Plantarum has collected the Authorities of several writers who speak highly of the medical virtues of this Plant. At the same time that we by no means believe in all the Virtues which are attributed to many plauts by the old Authors, we would be carefull of rejecting all their accounts, particularly when there is some reason to think they may be sounded in Truth, the mention of them may at least serve to excite such of the Faculty as have proper opportunities to give them a fair trial, and either reject them entirely, or bring them more

Faculty as have proper opportunities to give them a fair trial, and either reject them entirely, or bring them more generally into practice.

According to some it opperates both by Stool and Urine, and so much by the latter, as to acquire among the Germans the name of Harnkrout. A small Glass of the distilled Water mixed with a drachm of the bark of the Ebulus or Water Elder in powder, powerfully provokes Urine, and is recommended in Dropsical Cases. The distilled water or juice of the Plant put in the Eyes, takes away the redness and inflamation of them, as Tragus afferts from his own long observation and experience. Made into an Ointment with lard and mixed with the yolk of Egg, it takes away the violent pain arising from the Piles.

The flowers of this plant are frequently found double with two or more Spurs, and a singular variety of it which Linnæus calls Peloria, is said by Mr. Hudson to grow about Clapham in Surry, this rare monstrosity we shall not fail to figure.

In its common state, the Toad Flax grows very common on banks by the road sides, which it decorates not a little by its singular and beautiful Flowers. It may with the greatest ease be cultivated in Gardens, and raised either from Seeds or Roots; the Seed is ripe at the latter end of September.







DIGITALIS PURPUREA. FOX-GLOVE.

DIGITALIS Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIDYNAMIA ANGIOSPERMIA.

Cal. 5-partitus. Cor. campanulata 5-fida, ventricofa. Caps. ovata bilocularis.

Raii Syn. Gen. 18. HERBÆ FRUCTU SICCO SINGULARI FLORE MONOPETALO.

DIGITALIS purpurea calycinis foliolis ovatis acutis, corollis obtufis : labio fuperiore integro. Linn. Syft. Vegetab. p. 570. Sp. Pl. p. 866.

DIGITALIS foliis calycinis ovatis, galea fimplici. Haller. hift. p. 143. n. 330.

DIGITALIS purpurea. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 447. n. 780.

DIGITALIS purpurea folio aspero. p. 243.

DIGITALIS purpurea. Gerard. emac. 790.

DIGITALIS purpurea vulgaris. Parkinson 1653. Raii. Syn. p.* 283. Purple Fox-glove. Hudson Fl.

Angl. p. 240. Oeder Fl. Dan Icon. 774.

RADIX biennis, fibrofa.

CAULIS tripedalis ad orgyalem, fimplex, erectus, fo-

liofus, teres, pubefcens. FOLIA ovato-acuta, ferrata, venofa, fubtus albida, pubescentia; Petioli breves, alati.

FLORES spicati, nutantes, imbricati, secundi.

PEDUNCULI uniflori, pubefcentes, apice incraffati, peractà florescentià suberecti.

CALYX: Perianthium quinquepartitum, laciniis ovato-acuminatis, nervofis, fupremâ angustiore,

fg. 1.

COROLLA monopetala, fubcampanulata, purpurea, interne ocellata; rubus magnus, patens, deorfum ventricofus, bafi cylindracea, arcta; LIMBUS parvus, quadrifidus, lacinià fuperiore integra, quasi truncata, inferiore majore, inflexa.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quatuor basi Corollæ inserta, alba, apice paululum latiora, basi infracta, quorum duo longiora; Antheræ primum magnæ, turgidæ, ovatæ, basi coadunatæ, lutescentes, et sæpe maculatæ; demum et formå et sitû mire mutantur, fig. 2, 3, 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN fubconicum, luteo-virens; STYLUS fimplex; STIGMA bifidum, fig. 5,

NECTARIÚM GLANDULA bafin Germinis cingens,

fig. 8.
PERICARPIUM: CAPSULA ovato-acuminata, bilocularis, bivalvis, valvulà inferiore findente, fig. 9.

SEMINA plurima, nigricantia, parva, utraque extremitate truncata, fig. 10.

ROOT biennial and fibrous.

STALK from three to fix feet high, fimple, upright, leafy, round, and pubefcent or downy.

LEAVES of a painted oval shape, servated, veiny, under-

neath whitish and pubescent; the Foot-stalks fhort and winged.

FLOWERS growing in a fpike, pendulous, laying one over another all one way.

PEDUNCLES fuffaining one flower, pubefcent, thickeft at top, after the flower drops off, becoming nearly upright.

CALYX: a PERIANTHIUM divided into five fegments,

which are of an oval pointed shape, and nervous,

the uppermost narrower than the rest, fig. 1.

COROLLA monopetalous, somewhat bell-shaped, purple, and marked in the inside with little eyes; the TUBE large, spreading, bulging out back-wards; the base cylindrical, and as if it had been tyed with a ligature; the LIMB small and quadrifid, the upper fegment entire and as if cut off, the lower fegment larger and bent in-

STAMINA: four FILAMENTS inferted into the bottom of the Corolla, white, a little broadest at top, crooked at bottom, two long and two fhort; Antheræ at first large, turgid, oval, touching at bottom, of a yellowish colour and often spotted; lastly changing both their form and

fituation in a fingular manner, fig. 2, 3, 4.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN rather conical, of a yellow green colour; STYLE fimple; STIGMA bifid,

fig. 5, 6, 7.
NECTARY a GLAND furrounding the bottom of the Germen, fig. 8.

SEED-VESSEL: a pointed oval CAPSULE, of two cavities and two valves, the lowermost valve fplitting in two, fig. 9.

SEEDS numerous, blackifh, fmall, as if cut off at each end, fig. 10.

Was it not that we are too apt to treat with neglect the beautiful plants of our own country, merely because Was it not that we are too apt to treat with neglect the beautiful plants of our own country, merely because they are common and easily obtained, the stately and elegant Fox-glove would much oftener be the pride of our gardens than it is at present; for it is not only peculiarly striking at a distance, but its flowers and their several parts become beautiful in proportion to the nearness of our view: How singularly and how regularly do the blossoms hang one-over another! How delicate are the little spots which ornament the inside of the flower! and like the wings of some of our small Butterslies smile at every attempt of the Painter to do them justice: how pleasing is it to behold the nestling Bee hide itself in its pendulous blossoms! while extracting its sweets which furnish our tables with honey, and our manufacturers with way: nor are the more interior parts of the flower less worthy of our admiration. and our manufacturers with wax: nor are the more interior parts of the flower less worthy of our admiration, or less adapted to the improvement of the young Botanist: here all the parts of the fructification being large, he will readily obtain a distinct idea of them; but more particularly of the form of the Antheræ, and the alteration which takes place in them, previous to and after the discharge of the Pollen. vid. fig. 3, 4.

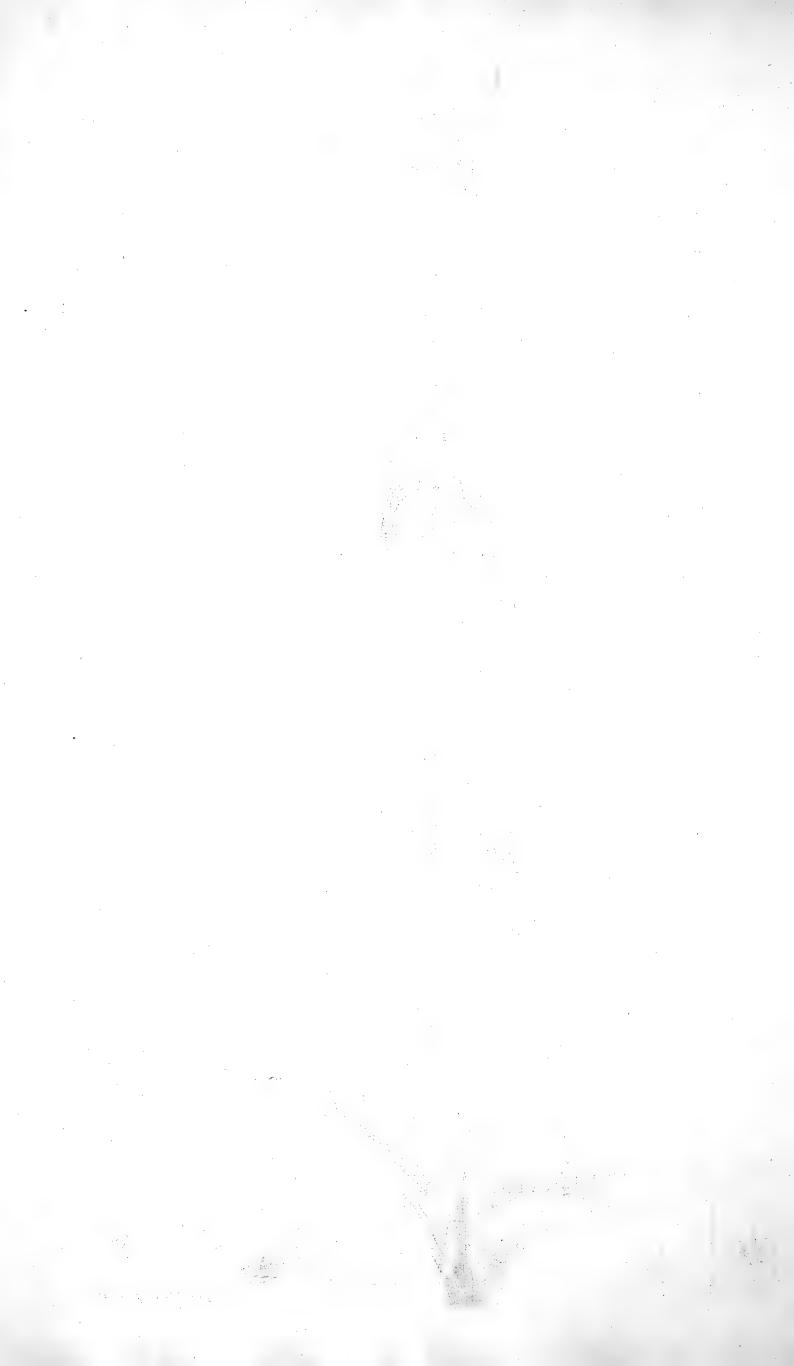
The flowers of this plant are in general of a fine purple colour, and like all other purple flowers are liable to varia-

tions; fometimes we find the bloffoms of a milk white or cream colour, and fome other varieties of it are mentioned by RAY, but the white is the most common. Such as would wish to cultivate it, may raise it either from seed, which is very small for the fize of the plant, or from young plants. It grows naturally in a dry and gravelly soil, and in such situations is common enough over most parts of England; about *Charlton-Wood* it is very plentiful, and flowers in

According to the testimony of many writers, the juice or decoction of this plant taken inwardly, acts as an emetic and purgative, and that too with considerable violence; hence Mr. RAY very properly advises it to be given to such only as have robust constitutions. Parkinson affirms that it is very efficacious in the cure of the Epilepsy; but he unites with it in his prescription Polypody of the Oak, so that there is no knowing to which of the plants the merit of curing this stubborn disease is due.

The flowers or herb either bruised or made into an ointment, are strongly recommended in Schrophulous tumours and ulcers; and so great an opinion have the Italians of its virtues as a vulnerary, that they have the following proverb concerning it. "Aralda tutte le piaghe salda." Fox-glove cures all wounds. Raii Hist. Plant.





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DRABA VERNAL VERNAL DRABA OR WHITLOW GRASS.

DRABA Linnæi Gen. Pl. TETRADYNAMIA SILICULOSA.

Raii Synop. Gen. 21. Herbæ tetrapetalæ siliquosæ et siliculosæ.

DRABA verna scapis nudis, foliis subserratis. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 489. Flor. Suec. p. 223.

DRABA cauliculis nudis, foliis fubhirfutis, fubdentatis. Haller. hift. helv. 1. 215.

BURSA PASTORIS minor loculo oblongo. Bauhin. pin. 108. 2.

PARONYCHIA vulgaris. Gerard emac. 624. Raii Syn. 292: Hudson Fl. Angl. 243. Scopoli Flor. Carniol. n. 792.

RADIX fibrofa, annua.

CAULES nudi, palmares, 1 ad 5 aut plures in folo fertili ex eadem radice nascuntur.

FOLIA ovato-lanceolata, basi angustiora integra et fubserrata, (serra nisi unica aut duo, raro plures) fuper terram expansa, scabriuscula, hirsuta, pili

PEDUNCULI alterni, uniflori.

CALYX: PERIANTHIUM tetraphyllum, foliolis erectis, concavis, gibbis, obtusis, subhirsutis. fig. 1.

COROLLA tetrapetala, petala alba, calyce duplo longiora, bipartita. fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA fex incurvata, quorum 4 longitudine Piftilli 2 breviora; Antheræ flavæ. fig. 3. 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN ovatum, compressum; Stylus vix ullus; STIGMA capitatum, planum. fig. 5.

PERICARPIUM: Silicula ovata, compressa, brevi mucrone obtufo terminata, bilocularis, bivalvis, valvulis plano-concavis. fig. 6.

SEMINA plura, ovata, fusca, margini Dissepimenti \$\frac{3}{4}\$ SEEDS feveral, oval, brown, fixed to the edge of the Dissepiment or Partition, fig. 8. 9. affixa. fig. 8. 9.

* ROOT fibrous and annual.

STALKS naked, about three inches high, one to five and frequently more, if the foil be rich, fpring from the fame root.

LEAVES of an oval pointed shape, narrower at bottom, fome of them entire, and others a little ferrated, or indented, (feldom more than one or two indentations in a leaf,) spreading on the ground, roughish, hirsute, some of the hairs bifurcate, others trifurcate.

PEDUNCLES alternate, uniflorous.

CALYX: a Perianthium of four leaves, which are upright, hollow, gibbous, obtufe, and fomewhat hairy, fig. 1.

COROLLA tetrapetalous, the Petals white, twice the length of the Calyx, and bipartite, fig. 2.

STAMINA: fix Filaments which bend inward, 4 long the height of the Pistillum, and 2 short; the Antheræ yellow, fig. 3. 4.

PISTILLUM: The GERMEN oval and flat; STYLE fcarce any; STIGMA a small head flat at top.

SEED-VESSEL a short oval pod, flat, and terminated by a fhort blunt point, having two Cavities and two Valves, the Valves flightly concave, fig. 6.

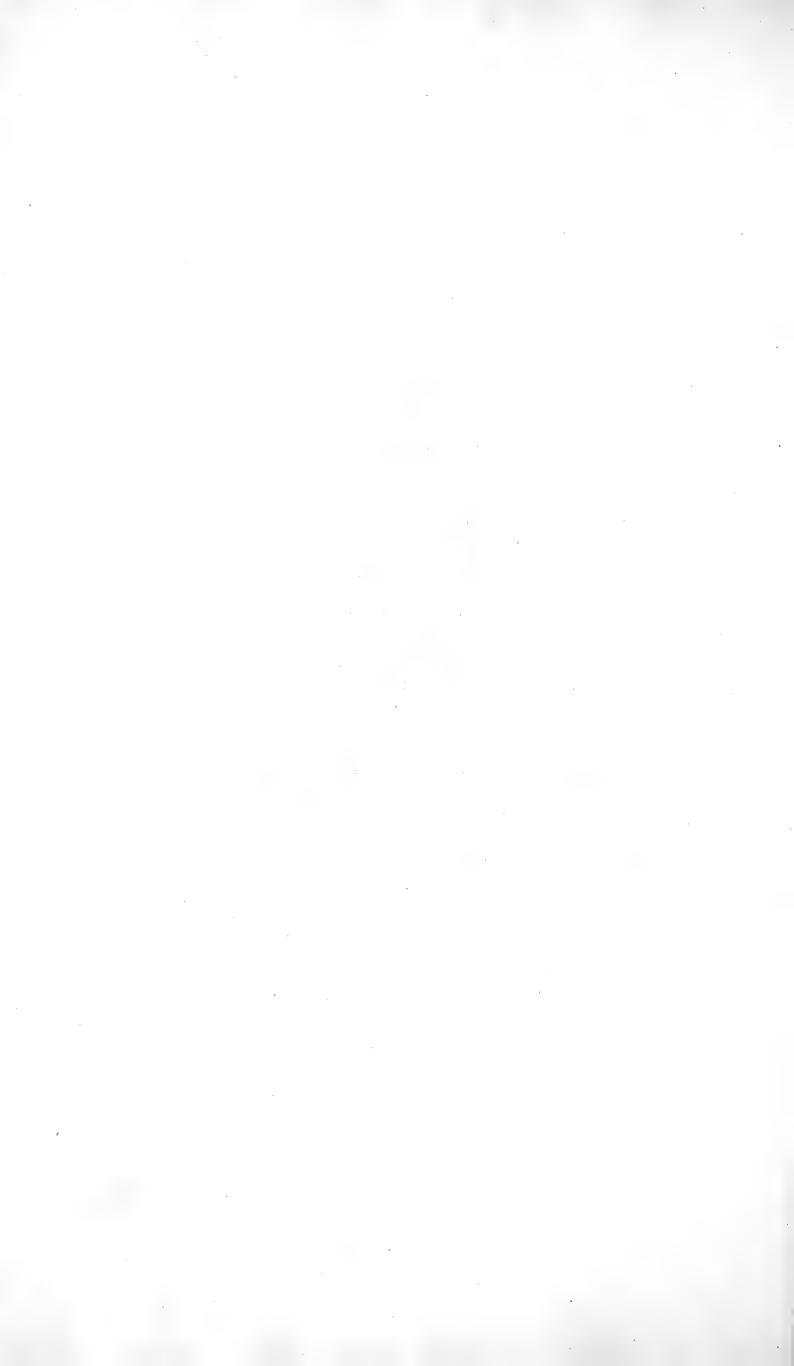
ON Walls, dry Banks, and in barren Fields, the white bloffoms of this diminutive plant, are very confpicuous in the months of March and April, a feafon when any kind of bloffom is viewed with pleasure, as it cannot fail to excite the pleasing reflection that the feafon is approaching when

"All that is sweet to smell, all that can charm Or eye or ear, bursts forth on every side And crouds upon the senses."

Linnæus informs us that in Smoland a Province of Sweden, they fow their Rye when this plant is in bloffom, and that in the night time and in wet weather its flowers droop.

Galen fays that *Paronychia* or *Whitlow Grass* has its name from its properties, for it heals Whitlows; but Commentators are much in doubt concerning the plant itself. From the account of the Antients, it appears that it is a different plant from what we are now describing; some have fixed on Wall Rue, (Asplenium Ruta muraria,) others on a plant resembling Spurge, such is the confusion that arises from imperfect descriptions.









SHEPHERD'S PURSE. THLASPI BURSA PASTORIS.

THLASPI Linnæi Gen. Pl. TETRADYNAMIA SILICULOSA.

Silicula emarginata, obcordata, polyfperma: valvulis navicularibus, margi-

nato-carinatis.

Raii Syn. Gen 21. HERBÆ TETRAPETALÆ SILIQUOSÆ ET SILICULOSÆ.

THLASPI Bursa pastoris filiculis obcordatis, foliis radicalibus pinnatisidis. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 491. Spec. Pl. 903. Fl. Suecic. 227.

NASTURTIUM filiquis triangularibus, Haller hift. v. 1. p. 221

PASTORIA BURSA Fuschii icon. 611.

BURSA PASTORIS major folio finuato. Bauhin Pin. 108. Gerard emac. 276. Parkinsoni Theat. 866.

Raii Syn. 306. Hudson, Fl. Angl. 247. Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. v. 2. 17.

RADIX annua, fibrofa, albida.

CAULIS pedalis, erectus, ramosus, teres, subasper.

PEDUNCULI uniflori, demum fere horizontales.

concavis, subpilosis, margine membranaceis, fig. I.

COROLLA: PETALA quatuor alba, calyce paulo Ion- COROLLA: four white PETALS, a little longer than giora, apice rotundata, fig. 2.

PERICARPIUM; SILICULA lævis, obcordata, bivalvis, * SEED-VESSEL; a short smooth pod, triangular or

DISSEPIMENTUM utrinque acutum Valvis contrari- * PARTITION pointed at both ends, placed crofs-ways

* ROOT annual, fibrous and whitish.

STALK about a foot high, upright, branched, round, a little prickly.

FOLIA radicalia hirsutula, pinnatifida, laciniis quoad formam mire variantibus, caulina amplexicaulia, dentata.

LEAVES: radical leaves flightly hirsute, pinnatifid, the laciniæ or jags varying exceedingly in their form; the upper leaves embracing the flalk, and indented at the edges.

PEDUNCLES, supporting one flower on each, nearly horizontal when the flowers are gone off.

CALYX: Perianthium tetraphyllum, foliolis ovatis, CALYX: a Perianthium of four leaves, the leaves oval, hollow, flightly hairy, and membranous at the edges, fig. 1.

the Calyx, round at top, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA fex, alba, quorum quatuor STAMINA: fix white FILAMENTS, four of which longitudine Styli, duo breviora incurvata; Anthere flavæ, fig. 3.

STAMINA: fix white FILAMENTS, four of which are of the fame length as the Style; two are fhorter and bent a little inwards: Anthere flavæ, fig. 3. THERÆ yellow, fig. 3.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN oblongo-cordatum; STYLUS PISTILLUM: GERMEN of an oblong heart-shape; STYLE brevissimus; STIGMA villosum, fig. 4. very short; STIGMA villous, fig. 4.

heart-shaped, with two valves, fig. 6.

SEMINA plurima, pedicellata, flavescentia, margini SEEDS numerous, of a yellowish colour, standing on Disseptimenti affixa, fig. 6. edge of the Diffepimentum or Partition, fig. 6.

to the Valves.

THE radical leaves of this plant differ so exceedingly in their appearance, that the most expert Botanist is often obliged to have recourse to its most striking character, the shape of its Seed-vessels, before he can with certainty distinguish it. When it grows on walls and in dry situations, the leaves are more deeply divided, and the Lacinize become much narrower; in cultivated ground they are broader and less jagged: It differs likewise no less with repect to its size, sometimes being not more than two or three inches high, and at other times as many feet.

March and April are the months in which it is found most generally in blossom, yet like the Groundsel and Poa annua, it may be found in this state at almost any time of the year,

It acquires its name of Shepherd's Pouch or Purse, from the particular shape of its pods, by which it is obviously distinguished from all our other Tetradynamous plants.

The plant is collected and given to small birds, who appear to be very fond of the seeds, and this is the only use to which we at present know of its being applied.

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GERANIUM CICUTARIUM. HEMLOCK-LEAV'D CRANE'S-BILL.

GERANIUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. Monadelphia Decandria.

Monogyna. Stigmata quinque. Fructus rostratus, pentacoccus.

Raii Synop. HERBÆ PENTAPETALÆ VASCULIFERÆ.

GERANIUM cicutarium pedunculis multifloris, floribus pentandris, foliis pinnatis incisis obtusis, caule ramoso: Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 90. Fl. Suecic. p. 243.

GERANIUM petiolis multifloris, caule procumbente, foliis duplicato-pinnatis, pinnulis acute incifis. Haller hift. No. 944.

GERANIUM cicutæ folio minus, et supinum. Bauhin pin. 319.

GERANIUM cicutæ folio inodorum album. Gerard emac. 945. 946.

GERANIUM moschatum inodorum. Parkinson 1708. Raii Syn. 357: Field Crane's-bill without scent-Hudson Fl. Angl. 262.

RADIX annua, albida, fimplex, carne tenera, cum ROOT annual, whitish, fimple, tender, the string or nervo intus duriore et tenaciore, paucis fibris instructa, crassifuscula, et in terram alte def-

CAULES ex eadem radice nascuntur plures, crassiufculi, teretes, hirsuti, procumbentes, ramos, variæ longitudinis pro ratione loci.

FOLIA pinnata, pinnis sessilibus pubescentibus, pinnulis

acute incifis.

STIPULÆ ad exortum foliorum membranaceæ, albidæ, ovato-acutæ, fuperiore integra, fig. 1; inferiore in duas divisæ, fig. 2. PEDUNCULI axillares, alterni, hirsuti, multiflori, lon-

tudine foliorum.

FLORES umbellati, rosei, a tribus ad sex.

INVOLUCRUM membranaceum, multidentatum, fig. 3; PEDICELLI basi crassiores, deslexi et demum affurgentes.

CALYX: Perianthium pentaphyllum, foliolis ovatis, striatis, hirsutis, concavis, mucronatis, fig. 4.

COROLLA: Petala quinque, subovata, plana, subæqualia, rosea, basi hirsuta, calyce longiora,

fg. 5.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA decem, quorum quinque alterna Antheris carent fig. 7: ANTHERÆ faturate purpurafcentes, fig. 6.

NECTARIA: Glandulæ quinque fuscæ circa basin stami-

num locantur. fig. 9.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN quinquangulare, villofum;
STYLUS fubulatus, fulcatus; STIGMATA quinque purpurascentia, paululum reflexa, fig. 10, 11. PERICARPIUM nullum; Fructus pentacoccus, ros-

SEMEN oblongum, læve, fuscum, arillatum, fig. 14, Arilla hirsuta; Arista prælonga pilosa in-structa quæ demum spiralis evadit, fig. 12, 13.

of the plant, and penetrating deep into the earth.

STALKS: feveral usually spring from the same root, thickish, round, hirsute, procumbent and branched, of various lengths according to their place of growth.

LEAVES pinnated, the pinnæ fessile and slightly hairy, the pinnulæ sharply indented.

STIPULÆ at the base of the leaves membranous, whitish, acutely oval, the uppermost intire, fig. 1; the

lowermost generally divided into two, fig. 2.

FOOT-STALKS of the flowers springing from the base of the leaves, alternate, hirsute, the length of the leaves, and supporting many flowers.

FLOWERS growing in an Umbell, from three to fix,

of a rofe-colour.

INVOLUCRUM membranous, with many teeth, fig. 3; the small foot-stalks of the slowers thickest at

bottom, turning down, and laftly turning upward.
CALYX: a Perianthium of five leaves, the folioli oval, firiated, hirfute, concave, and terminating in

a fine point, fig. 4. COROLLA: five Petals, fomewhat oval, flat, nearly equal, of a rose colour, hairy at bottom, somewhat longer than the Calyx, fig. 5.

STAMINA: ten Filaments, sive of which want the

Antheræ, the ANTHERÆ of a deep purple

colour, fig. 6.

NECTARIA: five brown Glands placed round the base of the Stamina, fig. 9.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN quinquangular and villous, STYLE tapering and grooved; STIGMATA five, of a purple colour hending a little back, fig. 10.

purple colour, bending a little back, fig. 10, 11. SEED-VESSEL none; FRUIT as yet unripe, formed

of five protuberating feeds, and terminating in a long beak.

SEED oblong, fmooth, brown, inclosed within an A-RILLUS fig. 14, which is hirfute, and furnished with a long hairy ARISTA, finally becoming spiral, fig. 12, 13.

We have often had occasion to remark the very great difference in the appearance of plants arising from soil and situation; of this the young Botanist cannot be too well apprised, nor too often informed: from a want of attention to this circumstance, the plant which we have now described, has been divided by different Authors into feveral species.

It seems worthy of notice, that the alterations which are produced in plants from growing in a richer soil, e chiefly those of encrease of size, and a multiplication of their parts; the minutiæ of the fructification suffer but little change in their form by culture, hence they are often most to be depended on, even in ascertaining

different species When the Geranium Cicutarium grows on a dry fandy bank, or wall, as it very frequently does, it is quite diminutive; when it occurs in a moister and more luxuriant soil, the branches extend often a foot or two in length, and the whole plant becomes so altered in its general appearance, as readily to deceive the inexperienc'd Tyro; but the long pointed fruit which occurs in both, and from whence this plant has obtained the name of Cranes-bill, readily points them out to be the same.

The seeds of the Geraniums are, in general, enclosed within a membranous Arillus, which terminates in an Arista or

Tail, of different lengths in different species; in some of them, when the seeds are become ripe, they detach themselves from the receptacle, to which they are affixed, with considerable elasticity, and the seeds being loosely contained within the Arillus are thrown out to a considerable distance. In the present species, the seeds are more closely invested by the Arillus, which does not feparate itself with so much force, and as soon as detached, the Arista begins to be twisted up in a spiral form. This may be very distinctly observed if we separate a seed, with its Arillus, as soon as ripe, and place it in the palm of the hand, the tail of the Arillus immediately appears in motion, as if endued with some sensitive property, and continues uninterruptedly this motion, 'till it has assumed the form of a screw, vid. fig. 13. The seed thus surnished with its twisted Arista, is more liable to attach itself to any thing which may come in contact with it, by which means this plant is more universally disseminated.

The Geranium moschatum has a great affinity with this species, that plant however has a strong smell of musk, which this entirely wants; and has also many other peculiarities, which we shall not fail to particularize when it comes to be treated of.

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GERANIUM ROBERTIANUM STRONG-SCENTED

CRANES-BILL, OR HERB ROBERT.

GERANIUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. Monadelphia Decandria.

Stigmata quinque. Fructus rostratus, pentacoccus.

Raii Syn. 335. Herbæ pentapetalæ vasculiferæ.

GERANIUM robertianum pedunculis bifloris, calycibus pilofis decemangulatis. Linnæi Syft. Vegetab. p.

515. Fl. Suecic. 241. n. 619.

GERANIUM foliis duplicato pinnatis, pinnis ultimis confluentibus, calycibus striatis, hirsutis. Haller hift. n. 943.

GERANIUM robertianum. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. n. 845. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 264.

GERANIUM robertianum primum. Baubin. Pin. 319.

GERANIUM robertianum. Gerard. emac. 939.

GERANIUM robertianum vulgare. Parkinson 710. Raii Syn. p. 358.

CAULES plures, diffusi, ramosi, sanguinei ut ut tota planta haud infrequenter, geniculis tumidis, pilosi, præsertim in junioribus plantis.

FOLIA opposita, pilosa, præcipue in umbrosis, unumquodque folium e tribus foliolis pinnatifidis basi confluentibus componitur, foliolo medio longius pedicellato, laciniis spinula rubra terminatis.

STIPULÆ ad fingulum geniculum quatuor, utrinque binæ.

PEDUNCULI biflori.

CALYX: PERIANTHIUM decemangulatum, perfiftens, foliolis ovato-lanceolatis, nervosis, hirsutis,

mucronatis, fig. 1, 2.
COROLLA: Petala quinque rosea, patentia, æqualia, lamina fubcordata, unguis linearis, medio prominulo fulcato in tres nervos albidos divari-

cante. fig. 3.
STAMINA: FILAMENTA decem fertilia, fubulata, plana, alba, basi cohærentia; Antheræ purpurascentes, polline flavo repletæ, fig. 4, auct 5.

ISTILLUM: GERMEN quinquangulare; STYLUS fubu-

latus, villosus; Stigmata quinque, rubra, paululum reflexa, fig. 6.
SEMINA quinque Arillata, lævia, ovata, fusca ad unum latus compressa, fig. 9; Arillus rugosus, fig. 7, 8.

RADIX annua, fusca, fibris ramosis prælongis instructa. § ROOT annual, brown, furnished with long branched fibres.

STALKS feveral, fpreading, branched, of a blood-red colour, as is frequently the whole plant, (the joints tumid,) hairy, particularly in the young plants.

LEAVES opposite, hairy especially when growing in

the shade, each composed of three pinnatisid leaves, uniting at the base, the middle leaf standing on the longest foot-stalk, the lacinize or jags of the leaf terminated by a small red fpine.

STIPULÆ four at each joint, two on each fide of it.

PEDUNCLES biflorous.

CALYX: a Perianthium having ten angles, and continuing, the leaves ovato-lanceolate, nervous,

hairy, terminating in a point, fig. 1, 2. COROLLA: five rose-coloured PETALS, spreading and equal, the lamina fomewhat heart-shaped, the

claw linear, the middle part of it prominent, grooved, and spreading into three whitishnerves.

STAMINA: ten fertile FILAMENTS, tapering, flat, white, connected at bottom; ANTHERE purplish, filled with a yellow Pollen, fig. 4, magnified.

nified, fig. 5.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN having five angles; STYLE

tapering, villous; STIGMATA five, red, a little turned back, fig. 6.

SEEDS five, contained within an Arillus, fmooth, oval, brown, flattened on one fide, fig. 9; the A-RILLUS wrinkled, fig. 7, 8.

Although our English Geraniums cannot boast that grandeur and variety of splendid colours so conspicuous in many of the foreign ones, yet several of them are sufficiently beautiful to be entitled to a place in the gardens of the curious, particularly the Bloody Cranes-bill, (Geranium Sanguineum;) the Crowfoot Cranes-bill, (Geranium Pratense;) the Perennial Doves-foot Cranes-bill, (Geranium Perenne of Hudson,) and the Herb Robert which we have now described the latter of these grows naturally in woods, but more particularly under the hedges which surround woods; it likewise is frequently sound in old hollow trees, and not uncommonly on the roofs of houses not much exposed to the sur; it is an annual plant; the feeds sow themselves in Autumn, soon after the young plants some up; stower the ensuing spring, and continue to blossom the whole Summer long, if the plant grows in the come up; flower the ensuing spring, and continue to blossom the whole Summer long, if the plant grows in the shade: towards the latter end of the year, both stalks and leaves become of a deep red or blood colour.

The whole plant has a difagreeable finell when bruifed, by which it will be diffinguished from our other species. It appears to grow all over Europe, and as a proof of its being still more universal, LINNEUS mentions its growing in

Arabia fælix.

A variety with a white flower now and then ocurrs.

If credit may be given to writers on the *Materia Medica*, it is a plant of confiderable efficacy in medicine, particularly as an Aftringent, hence it is recommended in all kinds of Hemorrhages; and those who have the management of cattle, are faid to give them an infusion of this plant when they make bloody urine.—Has not this practice originated from the doctrine of fignatures? It is also celebrated as a vulnerary in schrophulous, cancerous and putrid Ulcers, to which either the juice is applied, or the parts fomented with a decoction of the herb; as likewise in Contusions, dissolving the extravasated blood when applied in the form of a Cataplasin; and lastly it is said to be exhibited with good success in the Stone and Gravel.—How far it merits these encomiums future experiments must determine.

The herb bruised and applied to places infested with Bugg, is field by Lastly and a drive that a gravel. The herb bruised and applied to places infested with Bugs, is said by Linnæus to drive them away.





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WOOD PEA. ROBUS TUBEROSUS.

OROBUS Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIADELPHIA DECANDRIA.

Raii Synop. Gen. 23. HERBÆ FLORE PAPILIONACEO, SEU LEGUMINOSÆ.

OROBUS tuberosus foliis pinnatis, lanceolatis; stipulis semisagittatis integerrimis, caule simplici. Lin. Syst. Vegetab. p. 550. Fl. Suecic. n. 642.

OROBUS caule simplici; foliis senis ellipticis; radice tuberosa. Haller. hist. n. 417.

ASTRAGALUS sylvaticus, foliis oblongis glabris. Bauhin. pin. 351. Gerard. emac. 1237.

LATHYRUS sylvestris lignosior. Parkinson, 1072. Raii Synop: p. 324. Wood-Pease, or Heath-Pease. Hudfon, Fl. Angl. p. 274. Scopoli. Fl. Carn. n. 883.

RADIX perennis, tuberofa.

CAULIS fimplex, erectus, pedalis, alatus, fubtortuofus.

glabra fubtus cærulescentia.

RAMI florigeri, 1, 2, 3, aut plures ex foliorum alis, primum nutantes, Flores pulchelli, ex rubro purpurei, demum cærulescentes.

BRANCHES which fustain the flowers 1, more, springing from the bosom of at first drooping the Flowers bear

purpureum, basi obtusum; ore quinquedentato, denticulis tribus inferioribus acutioribus, duobus fuperioribus brevioribus, obtuse divisis, subasfurgentibus, sig. 1.

flexum, fig. 2. ALE conniventes, Carina connexæ, Unguis linearis, fig. 5. Lamina obtufa. CARINA, fig. 7, acuminata, affurgens, marginibus cavis ad Alas recipiendas, fig. 9.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN cylindraceum, compressium, STYLUS filiformis, erectus, lateri interiori prope thread-shaped, interiorly near the tip villous,

PERICARPIUM LEGUMEN teres, longum, primum rubrum, demum nigrum, fig. 14.

SEMINA plura, fubrotunda, e luteo-fusca, fig. 15.

FROOT perennial and tuberous.

STALK fimple, upright, about a foot high, winged and fomewhat twifted.

FOLIA pinnata, Cirrho brevi recto terminata, Pin- LEAVES pinnated, terminated by a fhort firait Cirrhus narum paria duo, tria, elliptica, mucronata, confisting of two or three pair of Pinnæ which confifting of two or three pair of Pinnæ which are elliptical, and end in a fmall sharp point, fmooth and underneath blueish.

STIPULÆ femisagittatæ, sæpe integræ, sæpius vero ad STIPULÆ semisagittate, frequently entire but more basin hamatæ, dente unico aut pluribus.

more, fpringing from the bosom of the leaves, at first drooping the Flowers beautiful, of a reddish purple colour, becoming blue as they go off.

CALYX PERIANTHIUM monophyllum, tubulatum, CALYX: a Perianthium of one leaf, tubular, purple, blunt at bottom, the mouth quinquedentate, the three lowermost teeth sharpest, the two uppermost shortest, bluntly divided, and turned a little upwards, fig 1.

COROLLA Papilionacea: Vexillum obcordatum, reflexum, fig. 2. Ale conniventes, Carina conturning back, fig. 2. the Wings connivent and connected with the Carina, the Claw linear, fig. 5. the Lamina obtuse, fig. 6. the Carina or Keel acuminate, rising upward, the edges hollow for the reception of the Alæ or Wings, fig. 9.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA diadelphia (fimplex et novem fidum) adficendentia, fig. 11, 17. Antheræ body below, and one feparate at top, fig. 11, flavæ, fig. 12. ad bafin filamenti fimplicis et fuperioris, foramina duo observantur, fig. 16.

fig. 13.

SEED-VESSEL, a LEGUMEN round, and long, first red, when ripe black, fig. 14.

SEEDS feveral, roundish, of a yellowish brown colour,

fig. 15.

This elegant species of Orobus grows very plentifully in all our Woods about Town; it seems to delight in a strong clayey soil. It produces its blossoms in May and June and the seed is ripe in July. The root is large and tuberous, deeply situated in the Earth and taken up with difficulty; it is not made any particular use of with us,

but is confiderably esteemed in some parts of Great Britain:

My very worthy and ingenious Friend the Rev. Mr. Lightfoot, of Uxbridge, has favoured me with the following account of its uses, which he observed in his late tour through Scotland:

- "The Orobus tuberosus is very common in Scotland, both in the Lowlands, Highlands, and the Hebrides. It is called in the Erse Language Cor-meille. The Highlanders dig up the Roots and dry them in their pockets, and chew them like Tobacco or Liquorice Root, to relish their Liquor, and to repel Hunger and Thirst. In Breadalbane and Ross-shire they sometimes steep them in Water, and make an agreeable fermented Liquor with them, which they esteem to be good for Disorders of the Thorax. It has a sweetish Taste somewhat like Liquorice Roots. Fond as the Highlanders were of this Root they frequently used to change it with me for some Pig-tail Tobacco, their savourite Indulgence."









ERVUM HIRSUTUM. ROUGH-PODDED TINE-TARE.

ERVUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIADELPHIA DECANDRIA. Calyx quinquepartitus, longitudine corollæ.

Raii Gen. 23. HERBÆ FLORE PAPILIONACEO SEU LEGUMINOSÆ.

ERVUM birsutum, pedunculis multifloris, seminibus globosis binis. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. p. 554. Spec. Plants 1039. Fl. Suecic. 255.

VICIA foliis linearibus, filiquis racemosis, dispermis, hirsutis. Haller hist. helv. n. 422.

ERVUM hir sutum. Scopoli Fl. Carniol n. 901. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 280.

VICIA fegetum cum filiquis plurimis hirfutis. Bauhin. Pin. p. 345.

VICIA sylvestris seu Cracca minima. Gerard. emac. 1028.

ARACHUS five Cracca minor. Parkinson 1070. Raii Syn. small wild Tare or Tine Tare: Muller. Flore Dan. icon. 639.

CAULES pedales, aut bipedales, debiles, ramosi, quadrangulares, tortuosi.

STIPULÆ in plures lacinias tenues divisæ, superiore majore.

FOLIA pinnata, ad octo aut duodecem paria, opposita, aut fubalterna, lævia, lanceolata, apice truncata, nervo medio in mucronem educto, capreolo ramoso terminata.

PEDUNCULI longitudine foliorum, multiflori.

FLORES a tribus ad octo, pallide purpurei, racematim, et imbricatim dispositi.

CALYX: Perianthium quinquedentatum, persistens, longitudine fere Corollæ, dentibus linearibus, acuminatis, subæqualibus, duobus superioribus more Orobi obtuse divisis, fig. 1.

COROLLA papilionacea; Vexillum fubrotundum, vix emarginatum, parum reflexum, fig. 2; ALÆ Carinæ adhærentes, ovatæ, obtusæ, ad basin lineares, fig. 3; Carina alis brevior, fig. 4, interne macula purpurea utrinque notata.

THERÆ simplices, flavæ.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN oblongum, STYLUS fimplex, affurgens, Stigma obtufum, villofum, fig. 6. PERICARPIUM: LEGUMEN breve, hirfutum, dispermum,

fig. 7. SEMINA duo, fubrotunda.

RADIX annua, tenuis, prælonga, paucis fibrillis instructa. \$ ROOT annual, slender, long, and furnished with few fibres.

STALKS from one to two feet high, weak, branch-

ed, quadrangular and twifted.

STIPULÆ divided into many flender laciniæ, of which
the uppermoft is the largeft.

LEAVES pinnated, from eight to twelve pair, oppositie, or nearly alternate, smooth, lanceolate, with the top cut off, and the midrib running out to a short point, terminated by a branched tendril.

PEDUNCLES the length of the leaves, and support-

ing many flowers.
FLOWERS from three to eight, of a pale purple colour, disposed in racemi, and laying one over another.

CALYX: a Perianthium with five teeth, continuing, almost the length of the Corolla, the teeth linear, and pointed, nearly equal, the

two upper ones obtufely divided in the manner of the Orobus, fig. i.

COROLLA papilionaceous; the VEXILLUM roundish, fcarcely nicked in, bending a little back, fig. 2; the WINGS adhering to the Carina, oval, and the control of the neares, fig. 3; CARINA alis brevior, fig. 4, obtufe, at bottom linear, fig. 3; the CARINA interne macula purpurea utrinque notata.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA decem affurgentia, fupremum brevior cæteris, nec liberum, fig. 5; Andrew interne man brevior cæteris, nec liberum, fig. 5; Andrew interne interneties with, and floriter than the uppermotion of conclude with a purple florite with a purple flo

others, fig. 5; the ANTHERÆ fimple and yellow.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN oblong, STYLE fimple and rifing upward, STIGMA blunt and villous, fig. 6.
SEED-VESSEL a fhort hairy LEGUMEN with two

feeds, fig. 7.
SEEDS two, and roundish.

This species of Tine-Tare, which at first fight bears so great a resemblance to the Ervum tetraspermum, grows

like that, too frequently among Corn, to which it is in general more destructive, as being a stronger and more prolific plant. I have in wet seasons seen whole fields of corn overpower'd and wholly destroyed by this plant.

It is easily distinguished from the Tetraspermum; in the first place, the leaves are not pointed as in that species, but appear as if a contrast the end, which although a material circumstance is not noticed by MULLER in his figure of it, vid. Fl. Dan. icon. 639; fecondly the Stipulæ are divided into many more laciniæ; the flowers and confequently the Pods grow in a kind of Cluster, whereas there is feldom more than two grow together in the Tetraspermum; and lastly, which seems to be the best distinction, the Pods are rough and contain two Seeds in each, while in the Tetraspermum, they are smooth and contain four Seeds.





ERVUM TETRASPERMUM. SMOOTH-PODDED TINE TARE.

ERVUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. DIADELPHIA DECANDRIA.

Raii Syn. Gen. 23. HERBÆ FLORE PAPILIONACEO SEU LEGUMINOSÆ.

ERVUM (tetraspermum) pedunculis subbissionis, seminibus globosis quaternis. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. p. 554.

VICIA foliis linearibus, filiquis gemellis glabris. Haller hift. v. 1. p. 184.

ERVUM tetraspermum. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. DIAGN. Pedunculi subbissori. Siliqua glabra, obtusa, tetrasperma.

VICIA fegetum fingularibus filiquis glabris. Bauhin Pin. p. 345.

VICIÆ sive Craccæ minimæ species cum siliquis glabris. I. Baubin.

CRACCA minor filiquis fingularibus, flosculis cœrulescentibus. Hoff. C. H. Alt. Raii Syn. p. 322. Tine-

Tare with smooth pods. Hudson Fl. Angl p. 280. OEder Fl. Dan. Icon. 95.

RADIX annua, fibrofa.

CAULES in apertis locis læves, tenues, debiles, inter segetes vero, (ubi fæpius invenitur) capreolis erecte sefe fustentant, pedales et ultra.

STIPULÆ ad bafin foliorum, duo, fimplices, utrinque acuminatæ.

pinnata, lævia, lanceolata-linearia, parium trium ad quinque usque, capreolo ramoso termi-

PEDUNCULI longitudine foliorum, plerumque biffori.

CALYX PERIANTHIUM quinquedentatum, persistens, dentibus inæqualibus, acutis, duobus fuperioribus brevioribus, latioribus, fursum tendentibus,

obtuse divisis, fig. 1.

COROLLA papilionacea, fig. 2; VEXILLUM subemarginatum, limbus reflexus, venis purpureis pictus, fig.4; ALÆ albæ, conniventes, fig. 5; CARINA alis brevior, obtufa, fig. 6.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA diadelpha (simplex et novem-fidum) assurgentia, fig. 7, 8, supremum liberum, fig. 8; ANTHERE simplices.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN compression; STYLUS assurgens; Stigma capitatum, villosum, fig. 9.

PERICARPIUM: Legumen læve, teretiusculum, tetraspermum, fig. 10. SEMINA subrotunda, suscessentia, nigro marmoreata,

fig. 11.

ROOT annual and fibrous.

STALKS in open places are flender and weak, but among the Corn, (where this plant is most commonly found,) they support themselves upright by means of their tendrils, and grow to a foot or more in height.

STIPULÆ at the bottom of the leaves, two, fimple, and

pointed at each end.

LEAVES pinnated, fmooth, lanceolate and linear, from three to five pair, terminated by a branched ten-

PEDUNCLES the length of the leaves, generally fuftain-

ing two flowers.

CALYX a Perianthium having five teeth and continuing, the teeth unequal and pointed, the two uppermost shortest, broadest, and turning a little

upwards, at bottom obtufely divided, fig. 1.

COROLLA papilionaceous, fig. 2; the Vexillum flightly nicked in at top, the limb formewhat turned back and ftreaked with purple. fig. 4; the Ale white and closing together, fig. 5; the Carina fhorter than the Alæ and obtufe fig. 6.

STAMINA: Ten Filaments uniting into two bodies, of which one forms the lowermost. fig. 7 and

which one forms the lowermost, fig. 7, and one the uppermost which is free, fig. 8; An-

THERÆ fimple.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN flatten'd; STYLE rifing upward; STIGMA forming a little head and vil-

lous, fig. 9. SEED-VESSEL: a LEGUMEN, fmooth, roundish, and containing four feeds, fig. 10.
SEEDS nearly round, brownish and mottled with black,

fig. 11.

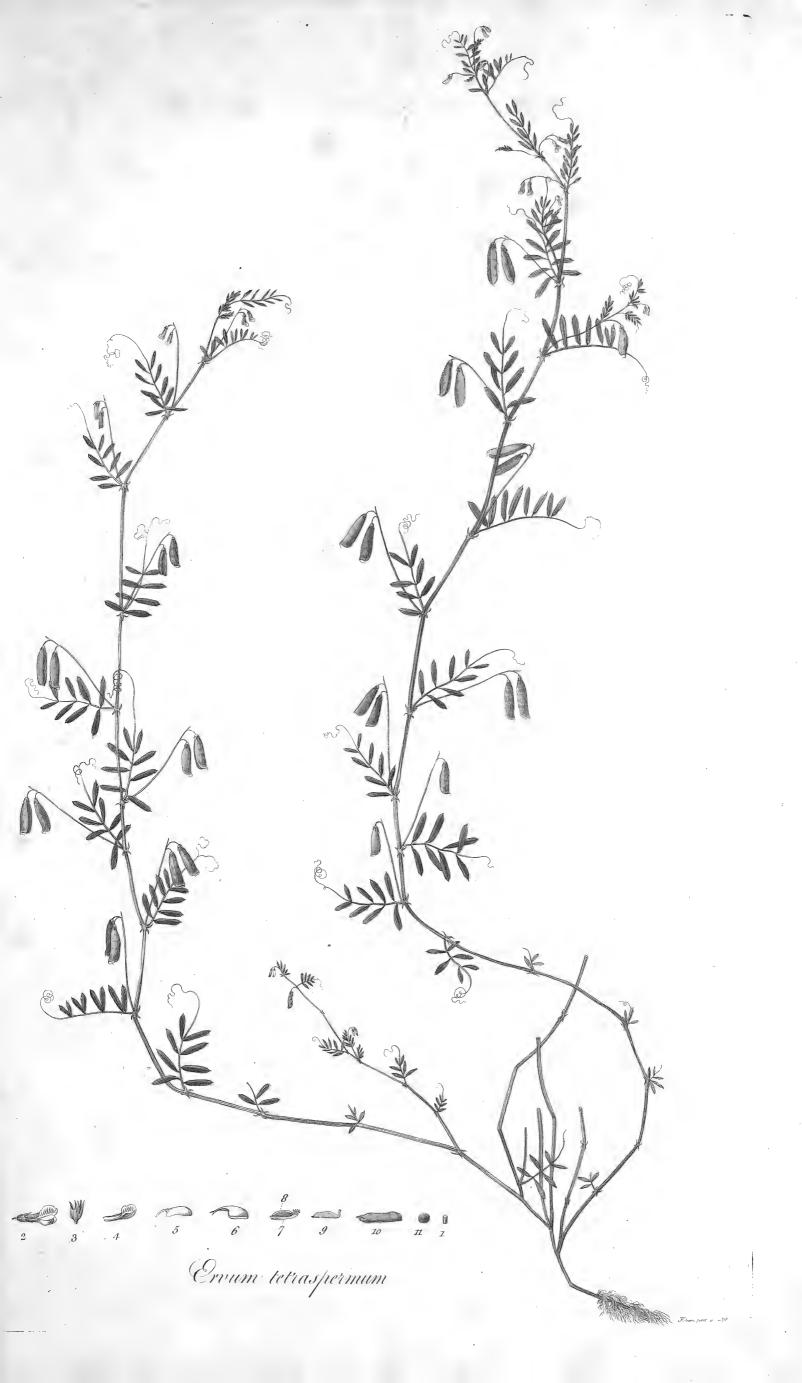
This species of Ervum or Tine-Tare is found in most Corn-fields, often to the Farmers forrow; as it frequently proves very injurious to the Corn, laying hold of it by means of its tendrils, and if the season favours its growth quite overcoming it. Like most plants of this kind it is exceedingly fertile; on one plant which I casually pulled up, I counted 220 pods, and as each pod contains four feeds, there must have been from a single feed the

amazing produce of 880.

At first fight this species has a considerable resemblance to the Ervum hirsutum, but the slightest attention will discover the difference; in the Ervum hirsutum the pods contain only two seeds and are heiry; in the Tetraspermum they contain four and are smooth; in the hirsutum the flowers grow in a kind of cluster, in this species there is seldom

more than two grow together.

The figure which I have given is intended to represent the plant as it grows among the Corn; when it is found by itself and in a poor soil it is often not lo large.





Hypericum pulchrum. Small upright St. John's Wort.

HYPERICUM Linnæi. Gen. Pl. Polyadelphia Polyandria.

Raii Syn. Gen. 24. HERBE PENTAPETALE VASCULIFERE.

HYPERICUM floribus trigynis; calycibus ferrato-glandulofis, caule tereti, foliis perfoliatis glabris.

Linn. Sp. Pl. 1106.

HYPERICUM pulchrum Tragi. J. Bauhin. Hift. III. 183. Raii Synop. 342.

HYPERICUM minus, erectum. Bauhin. Pin. 279.

HYPERICUM foliis amplexicaulibus, cordatis, calycibus ovatis, ferratis, glanduliferis. Haller hift. n. 1041.

Gerard. emac. 540. Hudson. Fl. Angl. 290. Oeder. Flor. Dan. Icon. 75.

RADIX perennis.

CAULIS pedalis ad bipedalem, erectus, teres, fig. 1, glaber, fubramofus, geniculi diftantes.

RAMI oppositi, breves, tenues, cauli similes.

PEDUNCULI teretes, plerumque triflori.

FOLIA CAULIS cordato-triangularia, glaberrima, amplexicaulia, faturate viridia, patentia, quam in cæteris Hypericis folidiora, verfus marginem perforata, inferiora frequenter coccinea; RAMORUM ovata, caulis triplo minora; PEDUNCULORUM ovato-lanceolata.

CALYX: Perianthium quinquepartitum, Laciniis ovatis, acutis, striatis, margine serratis, dentibus glanduliferis, glandulis nigro rusis, fig. 2.

COROLLA: Petala quinque, oblongo-ovata, flava, contorta, leviter firiata, fubtus aurantiaco lineata, margine fubferrata, et glandulis cincta, fig. 3.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA triginta fex, filiformia, in tres fasciculos ad basin coalita, in singulo fasciculo duodecim: Antheræ biloculares, subrotundæ: Pollen miniaceum, fig. 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN ovatum: STYLI tres, longitudine germinis, divaricantes: STIGMATA parva, fubrotunda, fig. 5.

PERICARPIUM: Capsula fubconica, trilocularis, fufca, fig. 6, 7.

SEMINA plurima, oblonga, fusca, fig. 8.

* ROOT perennial.

STALK from one to two feet high, upright, round, fig. 1, fmooth, and thinly branched, the joints remote from each other.

BRANCHES opposite, short, slender, and like the

PEDUNCLES round, generally fustaining three flowers.

LEAVES of the STALK triangularly heart-shaped, smooth, shining, embracing the stalk, nearly horizontal, of a deep green colour, more solid to the touch than the other St. John's Worts, perforated near the edge, and frequently of a bright red colour towards the bottom; those of the Branches oval, three times smaller than those of the stalk; and those of the Peduncles lancet-shaped.

CALYX: a Perianthium divided into five Segments, the Segments oval, pointed, striated, serrated, and edged with little glands of a blackish red colour, fig. 2.

COROLLA: five Petals, oblong, oval, yellow, flightly firiated; on the under fide tinged with a bright orange, flightly ferrated, and edged with glands, fig. 3.

STAMINA. The FILAMENTS numerous, to thirty-fix, filiform, uniting at bottom in three Fasciculi or Bundles, in each Fasciculus twelve: the Antheræ roundish and bilocular, fig. 4; the Pollen bright scarlet.

PISTILLUM: Germen oval: three Styles, the length of the Germen, spreading: the Stigmata small and roundish, fig. 5.

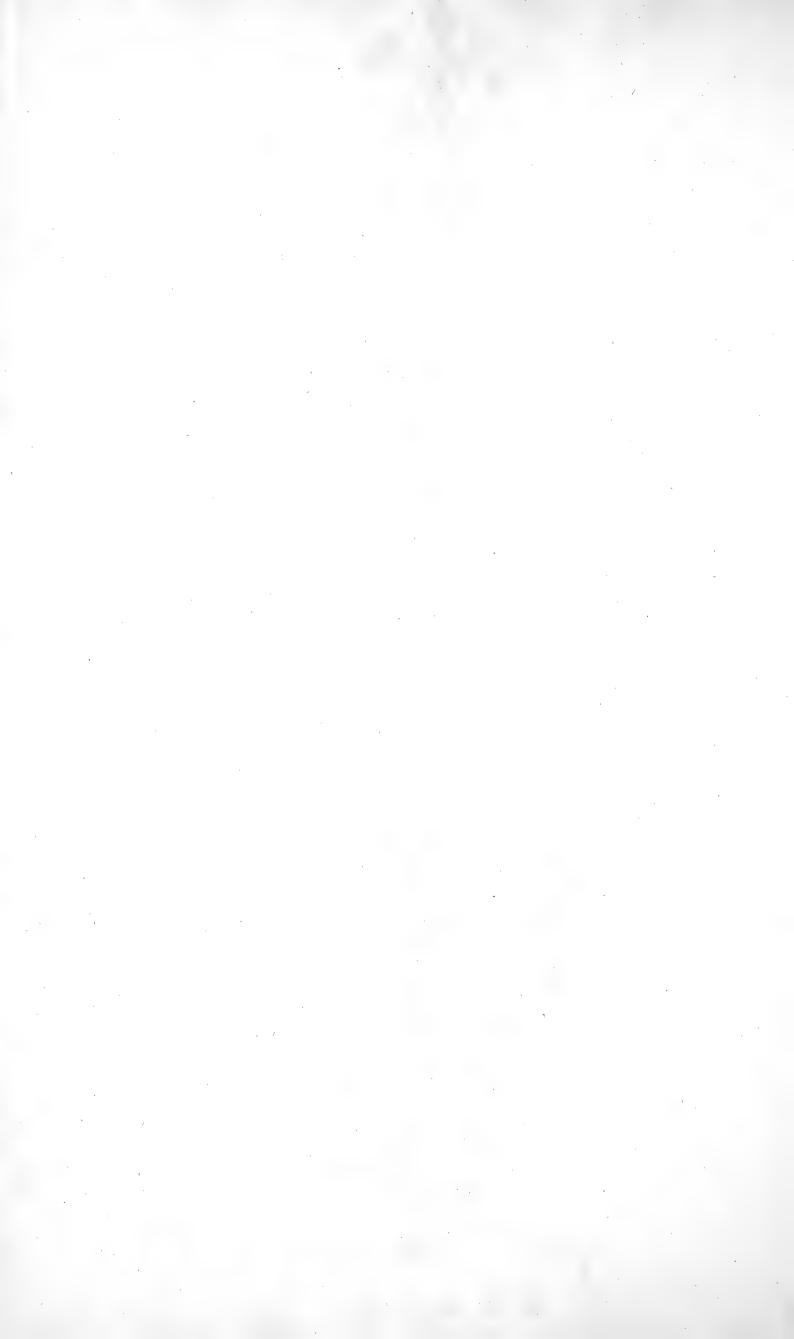
SEED-VESSEL; a Capsule fomewhat conical, of a brown colour, with three cavities, fig. 6, 7.

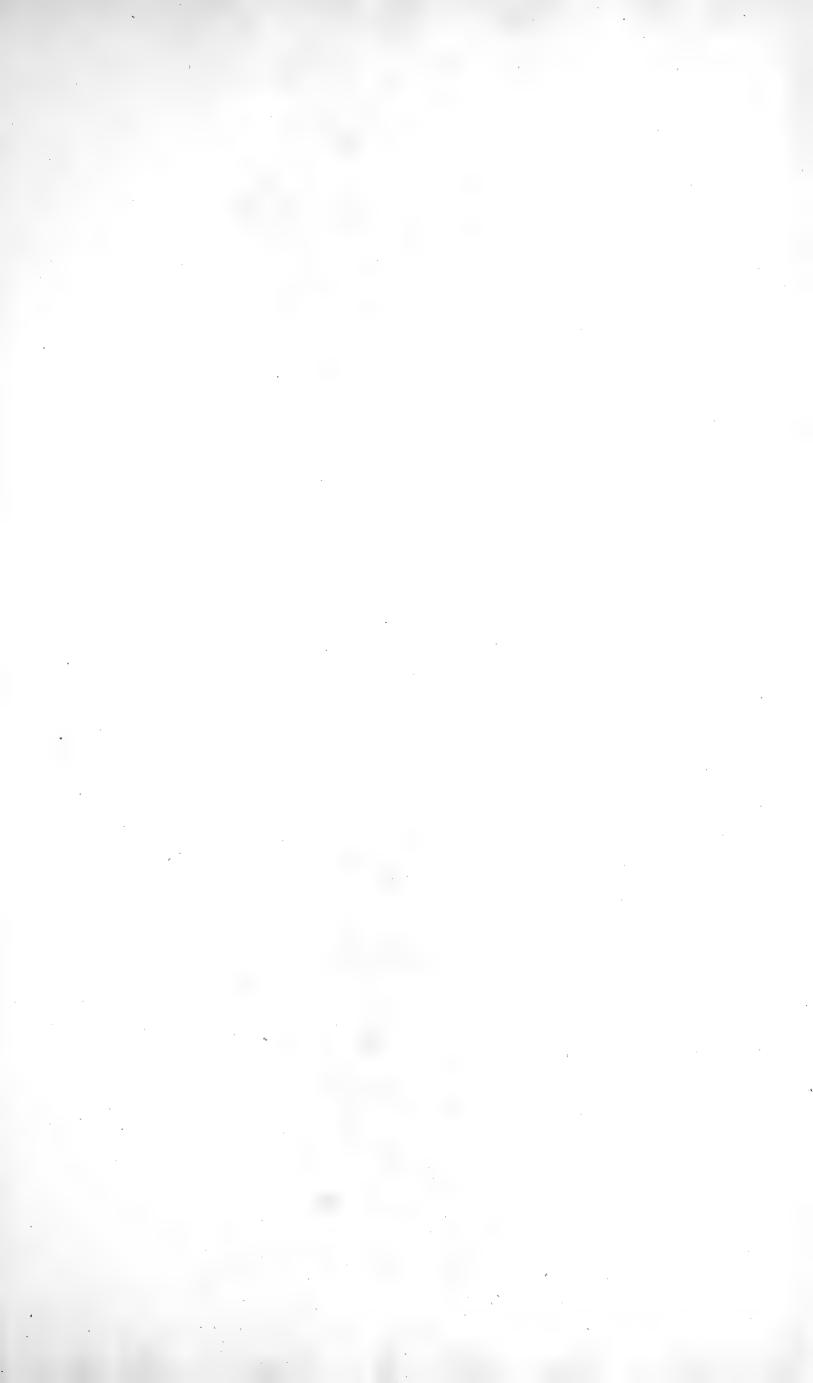
SEEDS numerous, oblong, and brown, fig. 8.

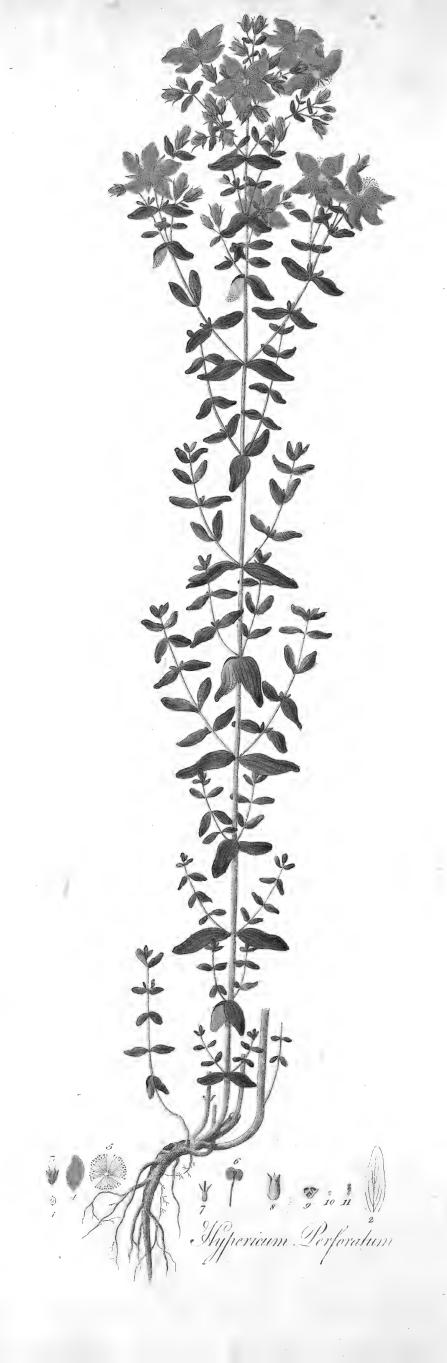
THE antient Botanists gave this plant the name of *Pulchrum* from its beauty; and Linnæus has very properly continued it. Many will, no doubt, think it deserving of a place in their gardens. It is fond of a clayey soil, and woody situation, and is found in all the woods about town; as *Hornsey Wood*, beyond *Islington*; *Oak of Honour Wood*, (as it is generally called,) a little beyond *Peckham*; *Charlton Wood*, by *Greenwich*; likewise on *Hounslow-Heath*. It slowers in the month of July, and continues but a short time in blossom.

Its virtues as a medicine, are probably the same with the common St. John's Wort.









Hypericum perforatum. Common St. John's Wort.

HYPERICUM Linnei Gen. Pl. Polyadelphia Polyandria.

Rail Synopsis Gen. 24. HERBÆ PENTAPETALÆ VASCULIFERÆ.

HYPERICUM perforatum, floribus trigynis, caule ancipiti, foliis obtusis pellucido-punctatis. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 584. Fl. Suecic. n. 680.

HYPERICUM caule terete, alato, ramofiffimo; foliis ovatis, perforatis. Huller: hift. vol. 2: p. 4.

HYPERICUM vulgare Bauhin. Pin. p. 279. Gerard. emac. 540. Parkinson 572. Raii Synop. 342: Hudson Fl. Angl. 290. Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. n. 944,

Tota planta glandulis nigris adspersa.

RADIX perennis, lignofa, fusca.

CAULES plerumque plures ex eadem radice, bipedales, STALKS feveral for the most part, springing from the erecti, sublignosi, læves, teretes, alternè ancipites fig. 1, ramosi.

RAMI oppositi, suberecti, ancipites.

FOLIA opposita, fessilia, ovato-oblonga, obtusa, perforata sive pellucido-punctata, heptanervia ex luteo-viridia. fig. 2.

PEDUNCULI ancipites, multiflori.

PANICULA denfa.

CALYX: PERIANTHIUM quinquepartitum, firiatum, laciniis lanceolatis, acuminatis, nudis. fig. 3.

COROLLA: petala quinque, flava, ad unum latus crenulata, glandulis nigris adspersa. fig. 4.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA plurima, in tria corpora vix STAMINA: FILAMENTS numerous, uniting at bottom coalita. fig. 5. Antheræ flavæ, biloculares, loculis fubrotundis, inter quos glandula nigra Antheræ yellow and bilocular, each of the ponitur. fig. 6.

RECEPTACULUM feu Thalamus feminum foramine X triquetro gaudet, quod in pericarpii immaturi fectione transversa clare distingui potest, ut observavit Cl. Scopoli.

SEMINA plurima, oblonga, fusca. fig. 10. 11.

The whole plant is fprinkled over with finall black glands.

ROOT perennial, woody, of a brown colours

fame root, about two feet high, upright, woody, smooth, round, alternately two edged, fig. 1, much branched.

BRANCHES opposite, hearly upright, two edged.

LEAVES opposite, fessile, of an oblong oval shape, obtuse, having the appearance of being all over perforated, of a yellowish green colour, with seven nerves or ribs, fig. 2

PEDUNCLES two edged, fupporting many flowers.

PANICLE bushy.

CALYX A PERIANTHIUM divided into five fegments, and striated, the segments narrow and pointed, without any glands on them. fig. 3.

COROLLA: five Petals of a yellow colour, notched irregularly on one fide, and fprinkled over with little black glands. fig. 4.

in three fearcely distinct bodies or fasciculi fig. 5. ANTHERE yellow and bilocular, each of the Cavities of a roundish figure, and between them is situated a small black gland. fig. 6.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN fubovatum, STYLI tres diva- PISTILLUM: GERMEN fomewhat oval, three STYLES ricantes: STIGMATA fimplicia. fig. 7. which divaricate; the STIGMATA fimple, fig. 7.

PERICARPIUM: Capsula fubtrigona fig. 8. trilocu- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ SEED-VESSEL: a Capsule fomewhat triangular, fig. 1 pallide fufca. 8, of a pale brown colour, with three Cavities, fig. 9.

> RECEPTACLE: the Receptacle which is continued through the Capfule, and connects the Cavities together, has a triangular hole in it, which is very obvious in a transverse section of it before it is ripe,—as the celebrated Scopoli has justly observed.

SEEDS numerous, oblong, and brown, fig. 10. 11.

It very often happens, that some of the minute parts of the Flower, and Seed, afford a more obvious, certain, and constant mark of specific difference, than any part of the plant besides, and we have a remarkable instance of the truth of this observation in the plant before us. A little gland, of a black colour, placed on the summit of the Anthera, at one view distinguishes this species, without any farther investigation: did such obvious distinctions prevail in all plants, a knowledge of them might with much ease be acquired; and fortunately we shall find, on examination, such marks more frequently occur than is generally imagined; whenever they do, we shall not fail to remark them. The apparent perforation of the leaves, from whence this species is named, is not peculiar to it alone. Although in the present practice this officinal plant does not seem to be much regarded, yet its sensible qualities, and the repeated testimonies of its virtues, entitle it as Dr. Cullen * observes to farther trials. To the taste it is aftringent and bitter, and its effects seem to be chiefly diuretic. From possessing properties which have generally been called balsamic, it has been used as a vulnerary in external wounds, and internal hemorrhages, for the former purpose, the tops of the plant with the flowers are insused in oil, and for the latter, an insusion of the plant is made in the manner of Tea. It has likewise been given in ulcerations of the kidnies, and has even been supposed to possess as a febrifuge.

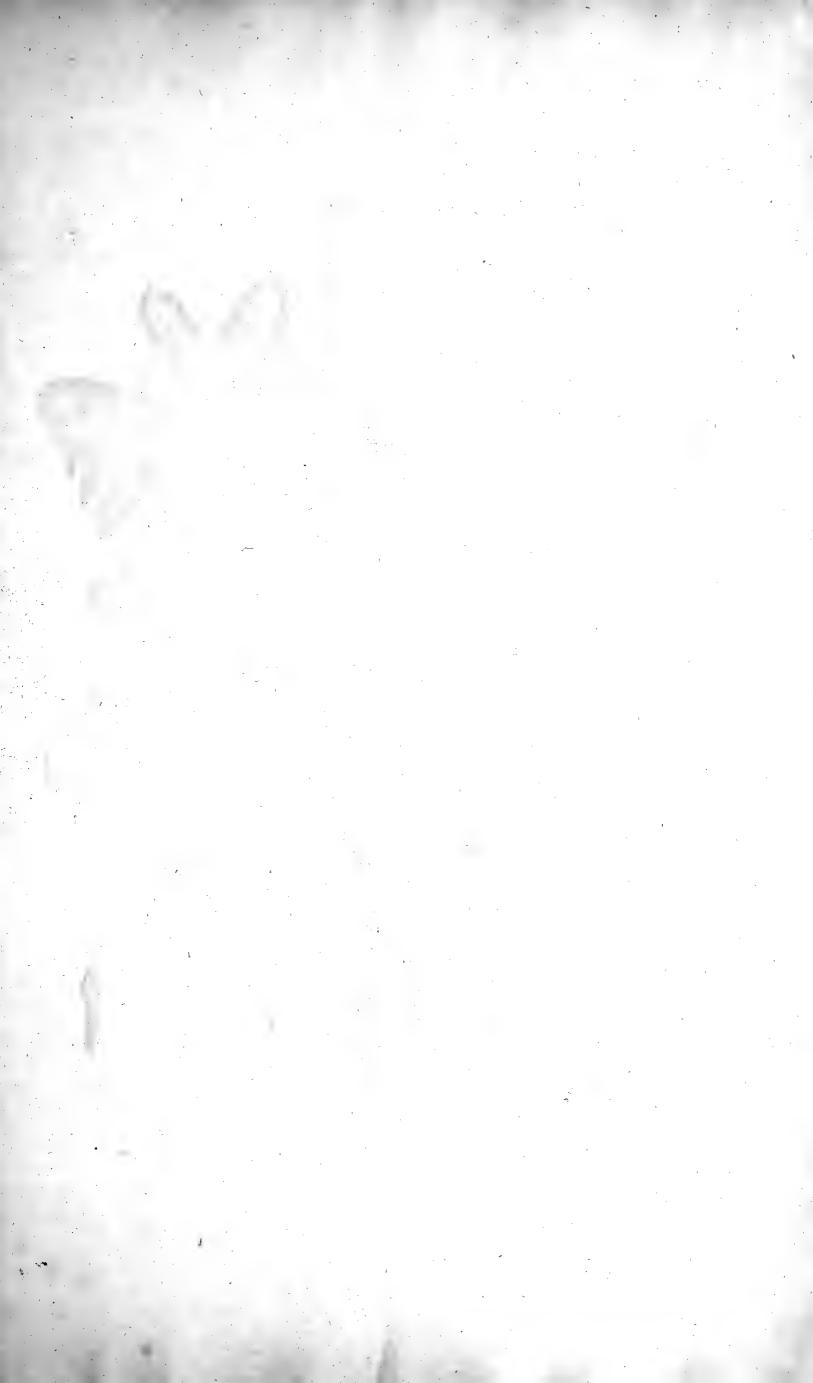
It has had the ill fate to be abused by the superstition of the common people in France and Germany, who gather it with great ceremony on St. John's Day, and hang it in their Windows, as a certain charm and defence against Storms, Thunder, and evil Spirits; mistaking the meaning of some medical writers, who have fancifully given this plant the name of Fuga Dæmonum because they supposed, if given internally, it was a good medicine for maniacal and hypochondriacal Disorders.

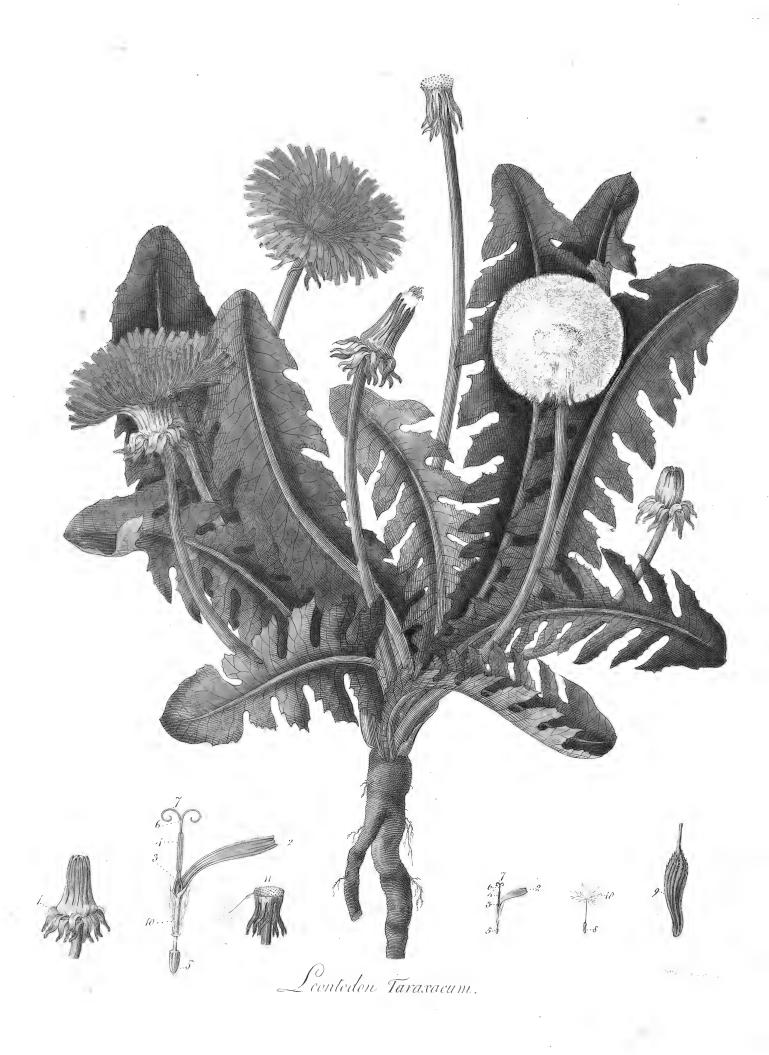
The dried plant boiled with Allum dyes Wool of a yellow colour. It grows very common in hedges and fields that

are but feldom tilled, and flowers in August and September.

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LEONTODON TARAXACUM. DANDELION.

LEONTODON Linnæi Gen. Pl. Syngenesia. Polygamia Æqualis.

Raii Synopsis ed. 3. Gen. 6. HERBÆ FLORE COMPOSITO, NATURÆ PLENO LACTESCENTES:

LEONTODON Taraxacum calycis squamis inferne reflexis, foliis runcinatis denticulatis lævibus. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 596. Sp. Plant 1122. Fl. Suecic. 270.

TARAXACUM calycibus glabris, fquamis imis reflexis. Haller hift. v. 1. p. 56.

HEDYPNOIS Taraxacum Scopoli Flor. Carn. n. 957.

HEDYPNOIS major Fuschii.

DENS LEONIS latiore folio Bauhin. Pin. p. 126. Gerard. emac. 290, Parkinson 780. Raii Syn. ed. 3. p. 170. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 297. Oeder. Fl. Dan. Icon. 574.

RADIX perennis, subsussionis, lactescens, externe ROOT pallide fusca.

laciniato-pinnatifida, plus aut minus profunde FOLIA incifa, laciniis acutis et acute dentatis, plerumque lævia, nonnunquam vero subaspera.

SCAPI nudi, fistulosi, lactescentes, versus apicem subtomentofi, uniflori.

CALYX communis lævis, glaucus, squamis inferioribus reflexis, fig. I.

COROLLA composita, flava, corollulis hermaphroditis, numerosis, æqualibus. Propria monopetala, ligulata, truncata quinquedentata, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque capillaria, brevissima, fig. 3. Antheræ slavæ, in tubum cylindraceum coalitæ, fig. 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN oblongum, fig. 5, STYLUS longitudine corollæ, fig. 6. STIGMATA duo revoluta fig. 7.

voluta, fig. 7.
SEMEN fubincurvatum, fubcompressum, fubtetragonum, firiatum, apice cchinatum, pallide olivaceum, fig. 8, 9. Pappus stipitatus, simplex, stipite brevior, fig. 10

RECEPTACULUM nudum, alveolatum. fig. 11.

perennial, tapering, milky, externally of a pale brown colour.

LEAVES more or lefs deeply jagged, each jag or lacinia pointed, and tharply indented, generally fmooth, but fometimes a little rough.

STALKS naked, hollow, milky, towards the top covered with a kind of down, supporting one flower on each.

CALYX: the common or general Calyx fmooth, glaucous, the lowermost leaves or squamæ turning

back, fig. 1.

COROLLA: the flower compounded of a great number of Corollulæ or lesser flowers, which are yellow, hermaphrodite and equal; each Corollula monopetalous, tubular at bottom, and flat towards the extremity, the apex truncated

and quinquedentate. fig. 2.

STAMINA: five FILAMENTS fmall and very fhort,
fig. 3. the ANTHERE yellow, uniting and
forming a cylindrical tube. fig. 4.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN oblong, fig. 5. STYLE the
length of the COROLLA, fig. 6. STIGMATA
two rolling back for a

two, rolling back, fig. 7.
SEED a little crooked, flattifh, and fomewhat four

seed a little crooked, flattin, and lomewhat four fquare, striated or grooved, at top prickly, of a pale olive colour, fig. 9, 9. the Down or pappus standing on a footstalk, simple, not seathery, shorter than the footstalk, fig. 10.

RECEPTACLE naked, and full of little holes, fig. 11.

As a medicinal plant the Dandelion is thought to possess considerable virtues, and has been frequently made use of in obstructions of the Viscera, particularly the Jaundice. Some recommend the juice, others a decoction of the whole plant. It appears to operate chiefly by urine, and from possessing this property in a considerable degree it has acquired its vulgar name of *Pis-a-bed*. Its other, and more common name, seems to be a corruption of the French term *Dent*

As a kind of fallad, this plant is by many prefered to any other, particularly by the inhabitants of Spitalfields, many of whom being descended from French families, that forsook their native country for one more favourable to religious liberty, still retain the peculiar customs of that people in their diet, &c. They blanch, or whiten it as the gardeners do endive, and the inferior class generally use the simple process of laying a tile on it, for whatever excludes the light from this or any other plant will make it become white, all plants deriving their colours from the fountain of light, the sun. And it is remarkable, that many plants containing bitter and acrid juices are rendered by this process. mild, fweet, and agreeable: who, for instance, could eat endive, celery, or even lettuce, in their wild uncultivated states?

The Dandelion grows in the greatest plenty in rich meadows, although it is very common on walls, and in courts and areas; when growing in a barren soil or dry situation the leaves become more narrow and jagged.

It flowers in May, and is the first plant which covers our meadows with a beautiful yellow coat, a few weeks afterwards, when it produceth its feed, it changes this for a white one.

Children frequently amuse themselves with blowing off the seeds, which stand naked on the receptacle or top of the

flalk, and the round white heads, formed by the expansion of their pappus or down, they call clocks.

The young botanist generally finds some difficulty in acquiring a clear idea of the structure of these compound flowers, occasioned by the minuteness of the parts of fructification, which however are much larger and more con-

flowers, occasioned by the minuteness of the parts of fructification, which however are much larger and more conficuous in this than in many others of the class Syngenesia, and therefore a proper flower for him to begin with. On examining the flower of the Dandelion he will find that it is not a double flower, properly fo called, as he might be led to think from its fullness, but that it is composed of a great number of Flosculi, or leffer flowers placed close together on one common receptacle or bottom, and enclosed by one common or general calyx. On diffecting each of these Flosculi, he will find them to consist of a Corolla, or Petal fig. 2, which at bottom is tubular, but towards the extremity flat, that from the bottom or tubular part of the corolla, five filaments spring, which are small and short, yet loose and unconnected fig. 3, that these filaments are surnished with Anthere, which unite together and form a long slender tube fig. 4, beneath the corolla is placed the Germen, or suture seed fig. 5, from whence the Style, or middle part of the Pistillum proceeds and passes up through the middle of the flower, betwixt the Filaments and through the tube formed by the union of the Anthere, fig. 6, and is surnished at top with two Stigmata which roll back, fig. 7, at a little distance from the Germen the lower part of the Stylus is surrounded by numerous upright hairs which are the suture Pappus or Down, fig. 10.

This, then, he will find to be the appearance of the parts of fructification in a full blown flower.

Those parts of the flower which were more immediately or more remotely necessary to the impregnation of the Seed

Those parts of the flower which were more immediately or more remotely necessary to the impregnation of the Seed having now performed their office decay, the Corolla with the Stamina and upper part of the Pistillum drops off, the Seed becomes larger, the lower part of the Pistillum remains, is elongated and becomes the footstalk of the Pappus, and the Seed as yet immature with the Pappus as yet moist are all enclosed and pressed by the Calyx into a conical form. This is its appearance in its second state.

The fructification ftill going forward the feed becomes ripe and brown, the Pappus now deprived of its moisture expands itself every way, fig. 10, pushes back the Calyx, and assumes a spherical form. The feeds sitted for vegetation and thus exposed are carried away by the first strong wind, and "a new race planted far from their native soil."

Such then is the curious process which nature makes use of in the perfecting and differentiation of this plant.



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LAPSANA COMMUNIS. NIPPLEWORT.

LAPSANA Linnæi Gen. Pl. Syngenesia Polygamia Æqualis.

Receptaculum nudum. Cal. calyculatus, fquamis fingulis interioribus canaliculatis.

Raii Syn. Gen. 6. HERBÆ FLORE COMPOSITO NATURA PLENO LASTESCENTES.

LAPSANA communis calycibus fructus angulatis pedunculis tenuibus ramofissimis. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab.

p. 602. Sp. pl. 1141. Fl. Suecic. p. 277.

LAMPSANA caule brachiato; foliis ovatis longe petiolatis; petiolis pinnatis. Haller bist. n. 6.

LAMPSANA communis. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. n. 988.

SONCHO affinis Lampsana domestica. C. Bauhin pin. p. 124.

LAMPSANA Gerard. emac. 255.

LAMPSANA vulgaris. Parkinfon 810. Raii Syn. 173. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 303.

RADIX annua, fimplex, fibrofa.

FOLIA opposita, hirsutula, ad radicem et in ima parte LEAVES opposite, somewhat hairy, at the root, and on caulis uno vel altero pinnularum pari donata, fegmento terminali magno, ovato, dentato, fuperiora oblonga, dentata.

squamæ ad basin minimæ erectæ, fig. 1.

phroditis æqualibus; *propria* monopetala, ligulata, truncata quinque dentata, fig. 2.

Antheræ cylindracea tubulofa, fig. 2.

UM: GERMEN oblongiusculum; STYLUS ; filisormis, longitudine Staminum; STIGMA PISTILLUM: bifidum, reflexum, fig. 2.

ROOT annual, fimple, and fibrous

CAULIS erectus, rigidus, bicubitalis, striatus, ramosus, striatus, ramosus, striatus, rigid, about two cubits high, striatus, hirsutus.

the lower part of the stalk furnished with one or two pair of pinnulæ; the segment which terminates the leaf large, oval, and indented; the upper leaves oblong and indented.

CALYX: communis calyculatus, angulatus, lævis, CALYX; the common Calyx fmooth, and furnished at bottom with a few minute, upright squamulæ, fig. 1.

COROLLA composita, imbricata, Corollulis herma- COROLLA compound, imbricated, the floscules hermaphrodite and equal; each of them monopetalous, ligulate, truncated, and having five teeth, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque capillaria, brevissima; \$ STAMINA: five small and very short FILAMENTS; ANTHERÆ uniting into a tube, fig. 2.

> PISTILLUM: GERMEN oblong; STYLE filiform, the length of the Stamina: STIGMA bifid and turning back, fig. 2.

SEMINA circiter octodecem, oblonga paululum incurvata, pappo deftituta, intra calycem, fig. 3, 4. fig. 3, 4.

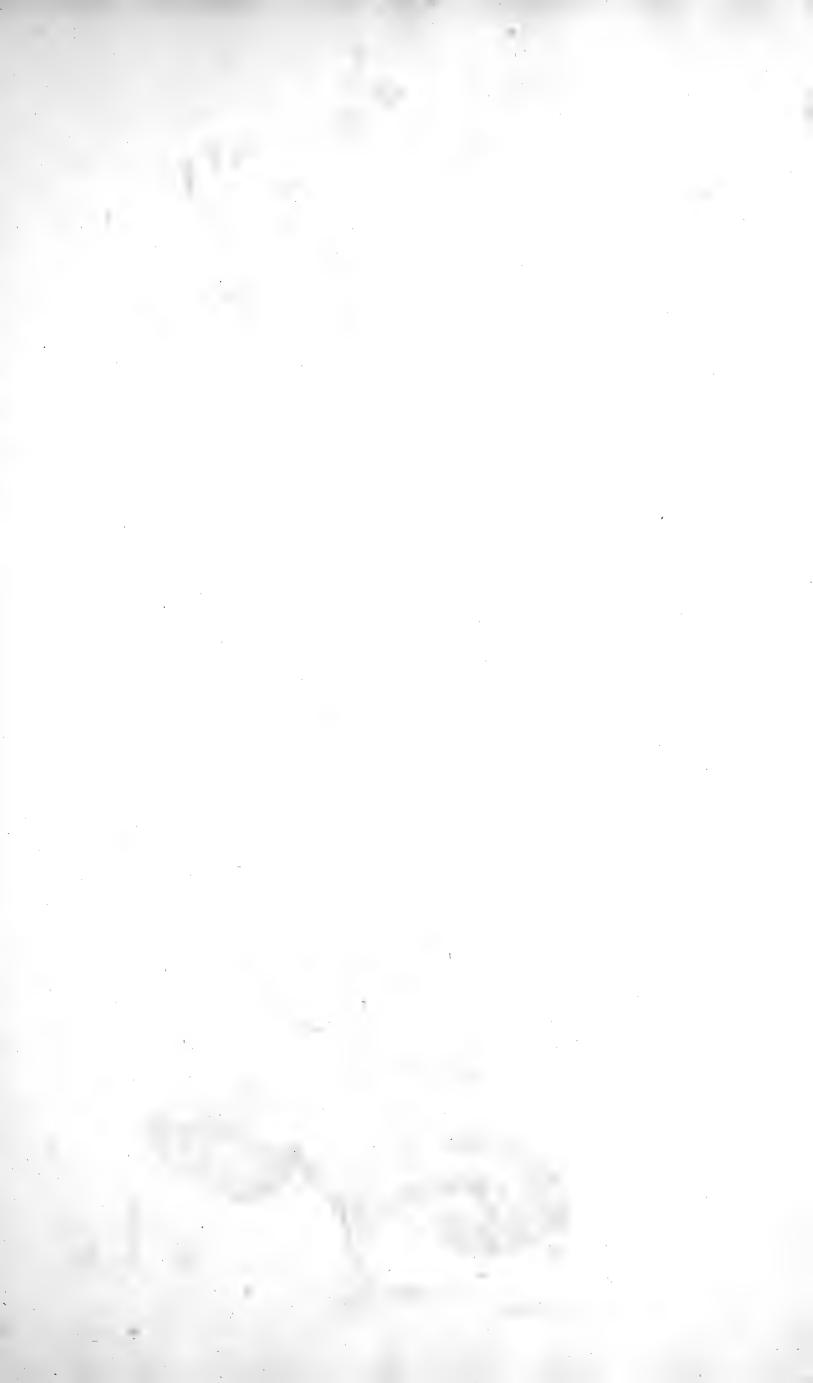
In gardens as a weed, this plant answers very well to the name of communis, being in general too common. Nature seems amply to have supplied the want of pappus or down in the seeds, by the great number of them produced in each plant. It also occurs on the sides of banks, and in all cultivated ground; slowering during most of the Summer months.

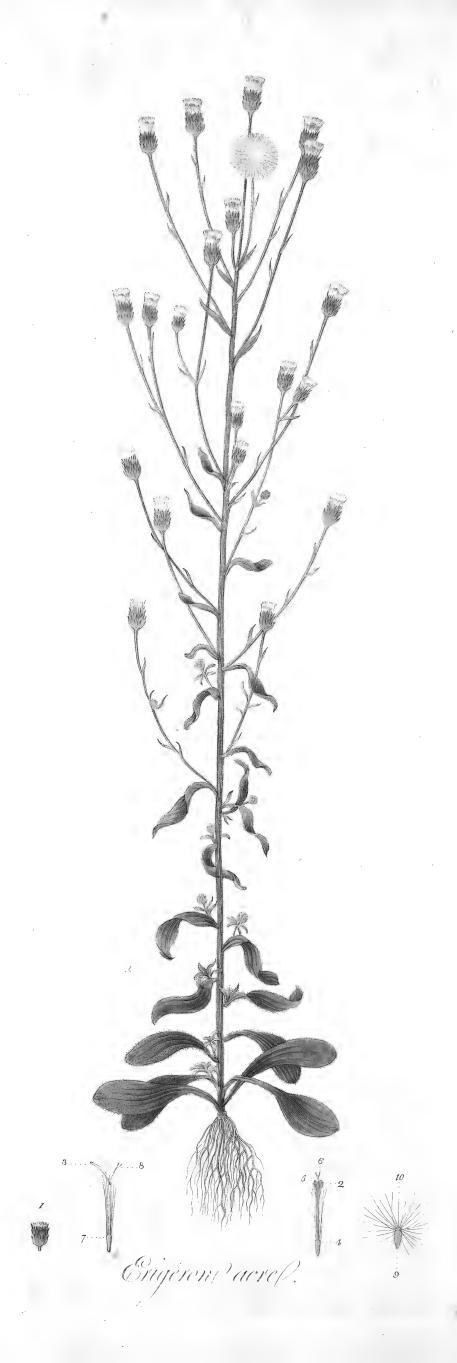
According to RAY it receives its name of Nipplewort from its efficacy in curing fore nipples: no other

virtues or uses seem attributed to it.









ERIGERON ACRE. PURPLE ERIGERON.

ERIGERON Linnæi. Gen. Pl. Syngenesia Polygamia superflua.

Raii Synopsis. Herbæ flore composito, semine papposo non lactescentes, flore

ERIGERON Acre pedunculis alternis unifloris. Lin. Sp. Pl. 1211.

ERIGERON polymorphum Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. DIAGN. folia lanceolata, basi et apice attenuata. Germina villosa. Pappus ruffus.

ERIGERON caule alterne ramoso, petiolis unifloris, semiflosculis pappum æquantibus, et semiflosculis pappum fuperantibus Haller: hift. n. 85. 86.

CONYZA cærulea acris Bauhin Pin. 265. Gerard emac. 484.

ASTER arvensis cæruleus acris: Raii Syn. 175. Blue-flowered sweet Fleabane.

CONYZA odorata cærulea Parkinson 126.

SENECIO sive Erigeron cœruleus I. B. II. 1043 Hudson Fl. Angl. 314. Oeder Fl. Dan. Tab. 292.

RADIX perennis, fibrofa, fibris pallide fuscis.

tuosa, ramorum linearia, suberecta.

FLORES erecti, nunquam sesse explicantes sicut plerique FLOWERS upright, never expanding themselves like flores Classis Syngenesiæ, externi purpurei, in most of the flowers of the Class Syngenesia, flores Classis Syngenesiæ, externi purpurei, interni flavescentes, cum cavitate in medio.

CALYX communis imbricatus, fquamis fubulatis, erect- CALYX: the common Calyx composed of a number of is, purpureis, hirfutis, laxis, fig. 1.

tubulosæ, numerosæ in disco, sig. 2. semineæ ligulatæ, pauciores in radio, sig. 3. Propria hermaphroditi infundibuliformis, slava, limbo quinquefido, fig. 2: Femineæ ligulata, linearis, erecta, purpurea, hermaphrodità longior, fig. 3.

ROOT perennial and fibrous, the fibres of a pale brown

CAULIS erectus, rigidus, pedalis, pupureus, striatus, stransius, stransius, pedalis, pupureus, striatus, s

FOLIA alterna, feffilia, hirfuta, inferiora obtufe ovata LEAVES alternate, feffile, hirfute, the bottom ones of basi angustiora, superiora angusta, reflexa, torupper ones narrow, turning back and twifted, those of the branches linear and nearly upright.

> externally purple, internally yellow, with a cavity in the middle.

scales, which are narrow and pointed, upright, purplish, hirsute, and loosely connected fig. 1.

COROLLA composita, radiata; Corollulæ hermaphroditæ COROLLA compound and radiated; the hermaphrodite flowers tubular and numerous in the middle, fig. 2. the female flowers ligulate, and fewer in the circumference, fig. 3: each hermaphrodite floscule, funnel-shaped, yellow, with the limb divided into five segments, fig. 2: each female floscule, linear, upright, purple, longer than the hermaphrodite flower, fig. 3.

STAMINA hermaphroditis: FILAMENTA quinque, capillaria, brevissima: Antheræ in tubum coalitæ. STAMINA in the hermaphrodite flowers: five FILAMENTS, very small and short; the Antheræ united into a tube.

PISTILLUM Hermaphroditis: Germen coronatum Pappo corolla paulo longior, fig. 4. Stylus filiformis longitudine Pappi fig. 5; Stigma bifidum fig. 6: Femineis: Germen tenue, Pappo longitudine fere Corollæ, fig. 7; Stigmata duo, tenuissima, fig. 8.

PISTILLUM of the hermaphrodite flowers; the Germen crowned with a Pappus or Down a little longer than the Corolla, fig. 4; the Style filiform, the length of the Pappus, fig. 5; Stigma bifid, fig. 6: of the Female flowers; the Germen slender, the Pappus nearly the length of the Corolla, fig. 7; two Stigmata very slender, fig. 8. very flender, fig. 8.

SEMINA oblonga, pallide fusca, hirsuta, lente aust: SEEDS oblong, of a pale brown colour, hirsute, magnififig. 9: Pappus sessible, lutescens, simplex, fig. 4

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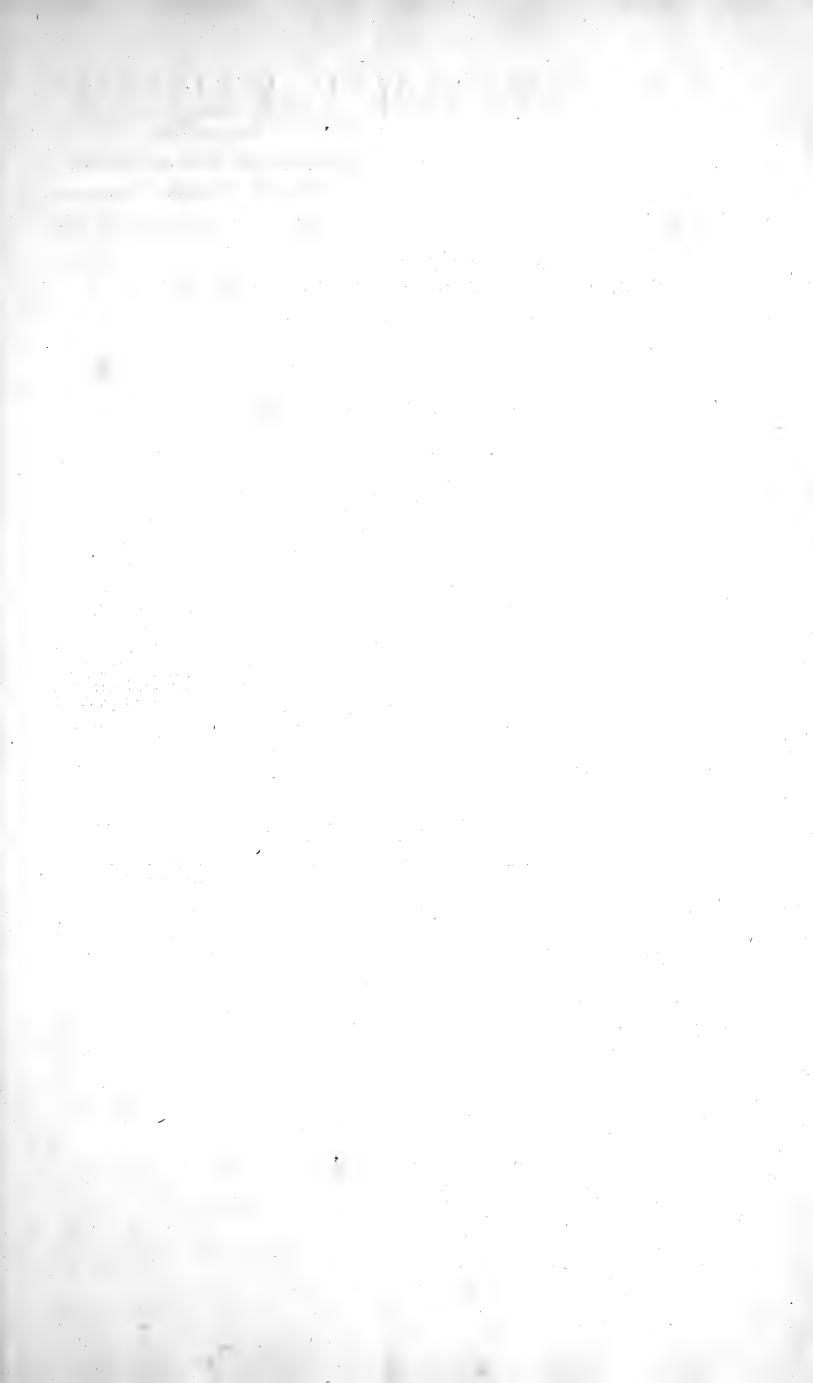
SEEDS oblong, of a pale brown colour, hirsute, magnified fig. 9; Pappus sessible, yellowish and simple
fig. 10.

The Erigeron Acre is by no means a common plant in our neighbourhood, yet occurs very frequently on the hilly and chalky ground about *Charlton Wood*, particularly in the chalk pits on the left hand fide of the lane behind the Church.

It flowers in the months of August and September, and is considered as a pretty sure indication of a barren soil. It has a taste somewhat warm and biting, and hence has received its name of Acris.

We have rather chosen to retain LINNÆUS's name of Erigeron than adopt RAY's name of Fleabane, which tends to confound it with the Genus Conyza.

It frequently grows much taller, and is often found much finaller than the specimen we have figured.



SENECIO VULGARIS. GROUNDSEL.

SENECIO Linnæi Gen. Pl. Syngenesia Polygamia Superflua. Receptaculum nudum. Pappus simplex.

Calyx cylindricus, calyculatus; squamis apice sphacelatis.

Raii Syn. Herbæ flore composito, semine papposo non lactescentes, flore discoide.

SENECIO vulgaris corollis nudis, foliis pinnato-finuatis amplexicaulibus, floribus sparsis. Linn. Syst. Vegetab.

p. 630. Sp. Pl. 1216. Fl. Suecic. p. 290.

SENECIO corollis nudis, foliis pinnato-finuatis amplexicaulibus, floribus sparsis. Haller bift. n. 58.

SENECIO vulgaris. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. p. 162. n. 1063. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 315.

SENECIO minor vulgaris. Bauhin Pin. 181.

SENECIO vulgaris. Parkinson 671.

ERIGERON Gerard. emac. 278. Raii Syn. p. 178. Common Groundsel or Simson.

RADIX annua, e plurimis fibrillis albidis constans. CAULIS fimplex, erectus, pedalis, ramosus, sæpe purpureus, subangulosus, in junioribus plantis verfus apicem subtomentosus.

FOLIA obfcure virentia, glabra, amplexicaulia, pinnato-finuata, pinnis acute dentatis.

PEDUNCULI striati, uniflori, primum erecti, peracta florescentià penduli, demum erecti.

CALYX: communis primum cylindraceus, demum conicus; Squamis fubulatis, plurimis, in cylindrum fuperne contractis parallelis, contiguis, æqualibus, paucioribus bafin imbricatim tegentibus, apicibus omnium nigricantibus, fig. 1.

COROLLA *Compofita*, longitudine calycis; *Corollula* hermaphroditæ, tubulofæ, numerofæ in difco, infundibuliformes; *limbo* reflexo, quinquefido: Radio nullo, fig. 2, 3.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque, capillaria, minima; Anthera cylindracea, tubulofa.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN ovatum; Stylus filiformis, longitudine staminum; STIGMATA duo oblonga, revoluta.

SEMEN oblongum, striatum, fuscum; PAPPUS simplex, albus, femine triplo fere longior, fig. 4; RE-CEPTACULUM nudum, fcabrum.

ROOT annual, confifting of numerous white fibres.

STALK fingle, upright, about a foot high, branched, often purple, flightly angular, in the young plants, towards the top, thinly covered with down.

LEAVES of a deep and dull green colour, fmooth, embracing the stalk, pinnato-sinuated, the pinnæ

harply indented.

PEDUNCLES firiated, supporting one flower on each, at first upright, when the flowering is over they become pendulous, and lastly upright.

CALYX; the common Calyx first cylindrical and lastly

conical; the Squamæ subulate, numerous, contracted above into a Cylinder, parallel, conti-guous and equal; those at the base of the calyx fewer, lying one over another, the tips of all of them blackish, fig. 1.

COROLLA Compound, the length of the Calyx; the

Florets hermaphrodite, tubular and numerous in the disk or middle, funnel-shaped, the limb reflex and divided into five fegments: the $R\alpha\text{--}$

dius wanting, fig. 2, 3.
STAMINA: FILAMENTS five, capillary, and very mi-

nute: Antheræ united into a tube.
PISTILLUM: Germen oval; Style filiform the length of the Stamina; STIGMATA two, oblong, and bent back.

SEED oblong, striated and brown; the PAPPUS simple, white, almost three times the length of the feed, fig. 4; RECEPTACLE naked, and rough.

The Groundfel is a Plant which is well known to grow exceedingly common in Gardens, cultivated Ground,

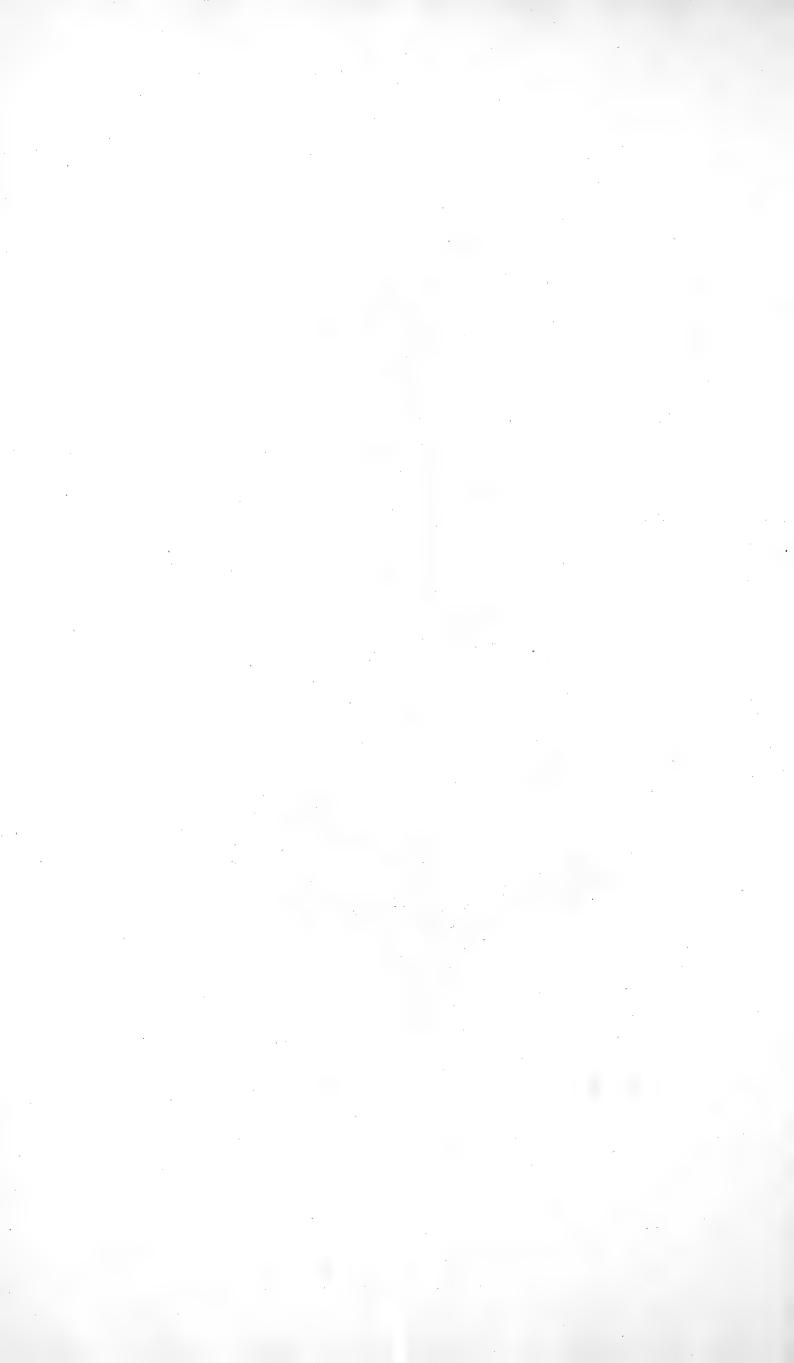
Although it is fearcely used at present as a medicine, yet according to some Authors it is not without confiderable virtues: the juice, or decoction of it taken internally, operates gently by vomit; and the plant externally applied, is said to be useful in inflamed Breasts, the Scrophula, and other Inflamations.

Mr. Ray suspects that it might be given with advantage in Worms, as Farriers and Horse-dealers give the juice of it to Horses that are troubled with those kind of Worms called Bottes, and to which it is presently

Birds of various kinds are fond of the feeds and tops of this plant; and a great variety of Caterpillars par ticularly those of the Phalana Jacobeae eat it readily.



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BELLIS PERENNIS. COMMON DAISY.

BELLIS. Linnæi Gen. Pl. Syngenesia Polygamia Superflua.
Raii Synopfis Gen. 8. Herbæ flore composito discoide, seminibus pappo destitutis,

CORYMBIFERÆ DICTÆ.

perennis, scapo nudo. Linnæi System. Vegetab p. 640. Fl. Suecic. p. 296. Haller bist. p. 39. Scopoli. BELLIS

Fl. Carniol. v. 2. 146.
fylvestris minor Bauhin pin. 261. Gerard emac. 635. Parkinson 530. Raii Syn. p. 184. Hudson Fl. Angl. 320. OEder. Fl. Dan, icon. 503. BELLIS

RADIX

ovata, dentata, hirfutula, in petiolos longos EEAVES oval, indented dia decurrentia; difruota fila trabentia FOLIA decurrentia; difrupta fila trahentia.

SCAPI teretes, hirfuti, triunciales, uniflori, ad apicem fistulosi.

CALYX communis simplex, foliolis æqualibus fig. 1. apice membranaceis, hirfutis, obtusis fig. 2. lente auct.

COROLLA composita, radiata: Corollulæ hermaphro-ditæ, tubulosæ, numerosæ in disco. Fæmininæ ligulatæ, calycis foliis plures in radio. Flosculi Hermaphroditi infundibuliformes quinquesidi slavi, fig. 3, 4. lente auct: Fæminæi ligulati, lanceolati, albi, fig. 10.

STAMINA Hermaphroditis: FILAMENTA quinque brevissima, fig. 5. Anthera cylindracea, tubulosa, fig. 6.

PISTILLUM Hermaphroditis: Germen ovatum, fig. 9.

Stylus filiformis, fig. 8. Stigma crassius-culum, bisidum, fig. 7. Fæmineæ: Germen ovatum, fig. 13. Stylus filiformis. Stigmata duo patula, linearia, fig. 11.

SEMINA ovata, compressa, marginata, pappo desti- * SEEDS tuta, fig. 14.

RECEPTACULUM nudum, conicum, fig. 15.

oval, indented, flightly hirfute, running down the footstalks, which are long and if broke

across appear stringy.

STALKS round, hirfute, about three inches high, sup-

porting one flower, at top hollow.

CALYX the common calyx fimple, the leaves equal, fig. 1.

at the top membranous, hairy and obtufe, fig. 2.

one of the tips magnified.

COROLLA Compound and radiated: the Corollulæ or flosculi in the disk or middle numerous, tubular, and hermaphrodite, those in the radius or circumference flat, more numerous than the leaves of the calyx, and female. the Hermaphrodite Flosculi funnel shaped, divided into five fegments and yellow, fig. 3, 4 magnified. The Female flosculi tubular at bottom, flat towards

quinque \$\footnote{\text{TAMINA}} \text{ in the Extremity, lanceolate, and white, fig. 13.} \text{STAMINA} \text{ in the Hermaphrodite flower: five Filameters, tu-\$\footnote{\text{TAMINA}} \text{ in the Hermaphrodite flower: five Filameters, tu-\$\footnote{\text{TAMINA}} \text{ in the Hermaphrodite flower: five Filameters, tu-\$\footnote{\text{TAMINA}} \text{ in the Hermaphrodite flower: five Filameters, the filameters of th MENTS very short, fig. 5. ANTHER # united into

a tube, fig. 6.

PISTILLUM of the Hermaphrodite flower: Germen oval, fig. 9. Style thread-shaped, fig. 8.

Stigma thickish and bisid, fig. 7. of the Female flower: Germen oval, fig. 9. Style thread-shaped, two Stigmata narrow and forceding for the

spreading, fig. 11. oval, flat, margin'd without any pappus or down, fig. 14.

RECEPTACLE naked and of a conical figure, fig. 15:

The Daify has been recommended by some writers to be given in hectic fevers, caused by drinking cold water

when the blood has been heated by exercife, either infused in water or milk.

In some parts of Germany, it is said to be boiled and eaten with meat as a pot-herb; but it does not seem to promise much either as physic or food for man. Sheep and horses refuse it, and it is very probable that none of our cattle eat it willingly; if so the owners of lands pay dear for their enamelled meads, and daisied carpets, but this part of husbandry seems as yet little understood or attended to. As rural economists we have ventured to say thus much in dispraise of this flower, notwithstanding the lavish encomiums the father of our English poets has bestowed on it:

> In special one called Se of the daie The Däisie, a floure white and rede, And in french called La bel Margarete Such that men call in Daifies in our Town.

Chaucer is perhaps the first that takes notice of the Horologium Floræ or opening and shutting of slowers at a particular time of the day.

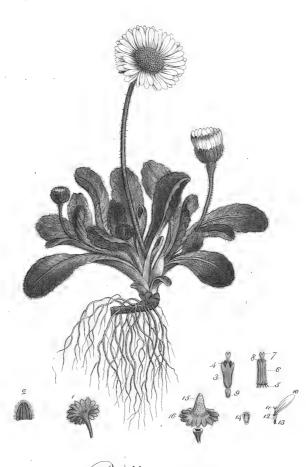
> She that is of all flouris the floure. Fullfilled of all virtue and honoure; And ever alike fair and fresh of hewe, As well in winter as in fummer newe, As foon as ever the Sunne ginneth West To fene this floure, how it will go to rest, For fear of night so hateth she darknesse Her chere is plainly spread in the brightnesse of the Sunne. Well by reason men it calle maie
> The Daisie, or else the Eye of the Daie
> And at the last there tho began anon A Lady for to fing right womanly
> A Bargonet in praifing the Daifie
> For as methought among her notis fwete She faid Si douce est la Margarete

Retuned by Dryden in his own numbers:

And then the Band of Flutes began to play, 'To which a Lady fung a Virelay; And fill at every close she would repeat The Burden of the Song the Daify is so fweet The Daify is so sweet when she begun
The troops of Knights and Dames continued on The Confort and the voice fo charm'd my Ear And footh'd my Soul that it was Heaven to hear.

Etymologists agree with the Old Bard in his derivation of the Daify, viz. Days Eye. Under the French name Margarette it is probable a compliment was intended to some lady, but Critics are not agreed who this lady was.

Like many other flowers the Daify becomes double by culture, and frequently proliferous, in this state it is called the Hen and Chicken Daify.



Béllis perennis.





VIOLA ODORATA. SWEET VIOLET.

VIOLA Linnai Gen. Pl. SYNGENESIA MONOGAMIA.

Calyx pentaphyllus. Corolla pentapetala, irregularis, postice cornuta. Capsula fupera, trivalvis, unilocularis.

Raii Syn. Gen. 24. HERBÆ PENTAPETALÆ VASCULIFERÆ.

VIOLA odorata acaulis, foliis cordatis, stolonibus reptantibus, bractæis supra medium pedunculi.

VIOLA odorata, acaulis, foliis cordatis, stolonibus reptantibus. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. 7. 668.

VIOLA acaulis stolonifera, foliis cordatis, Haller hist. helv. n. 558

VIOLA odorata, Scopoli Fl. Carniol. n. 1097.

VIOLA martia purpurea flore simplici odoro. Baubin Pin. p. 199. martia alba. p. 199.

VIOLA nigra five purpurea. Ger. emac. 550.

VIOLA fimplex martia. Parkinson 755: Raii Syn. p. 364. Purple Sweet Violet, and White Sweetscented Violet. Oeder Fl. Dan. icon: 309.

RADIX perennis, fibrofa, albida, in fenescente planta ROOT perennial, fibrous and whitish; in old plants basi petiolorum quotannis relictà pars superior radicis tuberculosa evadit, et supra terram eminet; e sinu horum nodorum nascuntur stolones, con humi repent, et soliis instruuntur stipulis. qui humi repent, et foliis instruuntur stipulisque ejusdem formæ ac illæ quæ ad basin plantæ inveniuntur.

FOLIA subrotundo-cordata, crenata, superne glabra, inferne hirsutula, junioribus involutis.

STIPULÆ radicales, ovato-lanceolatæ, membranaceæ, ferratæ, dentibus glanduliferis.

PEDUNCULI radicales, infra Bractæas quadrangulares, fupra Bractæas dorso canaliculati, apice incurvati, uniflori.

BRACTEÆ duæ, lanceolatæ, plerumque oppositæ, appresiæ, supra medium pedunculi.

CALYX: Perianthium pentaphyllum, perfiftens, fo-liolis oblongo-ovatis, obtufis, e viridi purpurafcentibus, fig. 1.

COROLLA pentapetala, irregularis, violacea, odorata, petalum infimum Nectario corniculato, obtufiusculo, apice compresso instructum, Petala lateralia prope basin barbata, fig. 2.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque brevissima ægre diftinguenda: ANTHERÆ flavescentes, biloculares, vix connexæ, membrana ovato-acuta aurantiaca terminatæ; e parte posteriori duarum Anthera-rum exit Nectariumque intrat appendicula

the leaves which are yearly left; from the bosons of these knobs spring the stolones or shoots which creep on the ground, and are furnished with leaves and the same kind of Stipulæ which are observable at the bottom of the plant.

LEAVES heart-shaped and somewhat round at the tip, crenated, on the upper fide smooth and shining, underneath slightly hairy, when young rolled in at the edges.

STIPULÆ springing from the root, ovato-lanceolate, membranous, serrated at the edges, each serrature or tooth terminating in a minute gland.

PEDUNCLES fpringing from the root, below the Bracteze quadrangular, above the Bracteze grooved on the upper fide, at top incurvated, supporting one

BRACTEÆ two, lanceolate, generally opposite to each other, pressed to the stalk, and placed above the middle of the Peduncle.

CALYX: a Perianthium of five leaves, continuing, each leaf of an oblong oval shape, obtuse at the

tip, and of a greenish purple colour, fig. r. COROLLA: of five Petals, irregular, of a bluish purple colour and sweet smell, the lowermost terminating in a blunt horned Nectarium, a little flattened at the extremity, the two fide Petals

bearded near the base, fig. 2.

STAMINA: five FILAMENTS so short as hardly to be distinguished; ANTHERE yellowish, bilocular, scarcely connected together, terminated by an oval-pointed, orange coloured membrane; from the back of two of the Anthere, springs a slend-

rum exit Nectariumque intrat appendicula viridis, linearis, compressa, fig. 5, 4. 3.

PISTILLUM: Germen subrotundum; Stylus basi tenuior et paululum tortuosus; Stigma uncinatum, Antheris paulo longius, fig. 6, 7.

PERICARPIUM priusquam dehiscit, subrotundo-triangulare, purpurascens, villosum; trivalve valvulis subrotundis concavis, fig. 8.

SEMINA plurima, rotunda, nitida, straminea, appendiculata, fig. 9.

The back of two of the Antheræ, springs a slender, flat, greenish appendage, which enters the Nectarium, fig. 5, 4, 3.

PISTILLUM: Germen roundish; Style slenderest at bottom and a little twisted; Stigma hooked, and a little longer than the Antheræ, fig. 6, 7.

SEED-VESSEL, before it bursts, roundish, rather approaching to triangular, of a purplish colour, and villous appearance, splitting into three roundish hollow valves, fig. 8.

SEEDS several, round, shining, of a straw colour, terminated by a little appendage, fig. 9.

The Viola odorata delights to grow under warm hedges, particularly near Woods; if the Spring be favourable, it is generally in full bloom in the month of March, and towards the latter end of Summer ripens its feeds. A variety of this plant frequently occurs with a white flower, not inferior in its agreeable fcent to the blue one; and fometimes this plant is found double, in which state it is often introduced into Gardens, and being furnished with abundance of creeping shoots, it is by means of these propagated with the utmost facility.

This species of Violet bears a considerable resemblance to the Viola birta, the mode of distinguishing them

we shall point out when we describe the latter.

A fyrup made from the flowers is usually kept in the shop, and frequently given to children where a gentle laxative is required: it is likewise in use as a test to try acid and alcaline substances. The

The feeds are faid by Authors to poffefs a diuretic quality, and hence the powder of them has been recommended in the stone and gravel.

The great BACON, who frequently descended from his sublimer studies, and amused himself with enquiries into the qualities and properties of plants, has left us a curious method of preserving the scent of this flower.

"Take Violets, and insuse a good pugil in a quart of Vineyer, let them stand three quarters of an hour and take

"Take Violets, and infuse a good pugil in a quart of Vineger, let them stand three quarters of an hour, and take "them forth, and refresh the infusion with like quantity of Violets seven times; and it will make a Vineger so fresh "of the slower, as if a twelve moneth after it be brought you in a saucer, you shall smell it before it come at you."

Note. It smelleth more perfectly of the slower a good while after than at the sirst."

The illustrious prescriber has given no directions concerning the use of this preparation, but it appears to us to be one of the most grateful preservatives against infection, especially if the strongest distilled vinegar which has been drawn over in glass, be made use of.

The Violet has been much complimented by the antient Poets; and our Shakespeare gives it a confpicuous place in his catalogue of flowers.

** But sweeter than the lids of Juno's eyes,

Or CYTHEREA'S breath."

The Commentators have not been fuccessful in informing us how the "lids of Juno's eyes" bear any resemblance to "Violets dim," not recollecting that ωβλεφαρος (having violet eyelids) was a complimentary title with the Greek poets. This epithet alludes to a well known custom which still prevails in Greece, of colouring the eye lids blue. * A "Grecian girl is painted blue round the eyes; and the insides of the sockets, with the edges on which the "lashes grow, are tinged with black: For colouring the lashes and socket of the eye, they throw incense or "Gum of Labdanum on some coals of fire, intercept the smoak which ascends, with a plate, and collect the stoot: This I saw applied; a girl sitting cross-legged, as usual, on a sopha, and closing one of her eyes, took the two lashes between the fore singer and thumb of her left hand, pulling them forward, and then thrusting in, at the external corner, a bodkin which has been immersed in the soot, and extracting it again, the particles before adhering to it remained within, and were presently ranged round the organ, serving as a foil to "ticles before adhering to it remained within, and were presently ranged round the organ, serving as a foil to "ticles before achieved to it remained within, and were presently ranged round the organ, serving as a foil to "ticles before achieved to it remained within, and were presently ranged round the organ, serving as a foil to "ticles before achieved to it remained within, and were presently ranged round the organ, serving as a foil to "ticles before achieved to it remained within, and were presently ranged round the organ, serving as a foil to "ticles before achieved to the serving as a foil to "ticles before achieved to the serving as a foil to "ticles before achieved to the serving as a foil to "ticles before achieved to the serving to the serving as a foil to the serving as a foi

Altho' the poet of nature has been rather obscure on this subject, where he copies the ancients; he makes ample amends when he gives us the genuine effusions of his own imagination. With what precision and delicacy does he describe the soft enchantment of plaintive music, as resembling the sweetness of this flower; illustrating in a beautiful simile the object of one sense by that of an other!

"That strain again;—it had a dying fall;
"Oh! it came o'er my ear, like the sweet south,
"That breathes upon a bank of violets,
"Stealing and giving odour!"

*A Greek poet supposed to be a Christian, from the severity of his manners and purity of his instructions, forbids this custom of painting the eye-lids, in the rules of conduct which he addresses to young women,

" Mnde μελαινε τεοισίν υπο βλεφαερισίν οπωπας."

NAUMACHIUS.

It is probable that the Greeks borrowed this fashion from their Asiatic neighbours; Jezebel, a native of Zidon, put her eyes in painting, as the anslators tell us in the margin of our bible; the Prophets also allude to and consure this custom, see Jeremiah iv. 30. Exekiel xxiii 40.





Viola hirta.

VIOLA HIRTA. HAIRY VIOLET.

VIOLA Linnæi Gen. Ph. SYNGENESIA MONOGAMIA:

Calyw pentaphyllus: Corolla pentapetala, irregularis, postice cornuta. Capfula fupra, trivalvis, unilocularis.

Rail Synop. Gen. 24. HERBÆ PENTAPETALÆ VASCULIFERÆ.

VIOLA hirta acaulis, foliis petiolisque hirsutis, bractæis infra medium pedunculis

VIOLA hirtà acaulis, foliis cordatis piloso hispidis. Linn. Syst. Vegetab. p. 668.

VIOLA acaulis, foliis cordatis hispidis. Haller hist. helv. n. 559.

VIOLA birta Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 330.

VIOLA martia major hirfuta inodora. Hift. ox. II. 475.

VIOLA trachelii folio vulgo. Raii hift. 1051. Syn. p. 365. Violet with Throat-wort leaves.

So great is the similarity betwixt this Species and the Viola odorata, that to describe it in the same manner as I have that plant, would be to repeat nearly the same words. To avoid this sameness of expression, I shall adopt a description in the way of contrast, which will enable me to point out the differences of each in a manner more striking, and I hope equally satisfactory to my botanic readers.

I would first premise, that as it is my greatest wish to clear up every difficulty respecting the species and varieties of those plants which come properly before me, so I have with that view, not only examined this plant with the greatest attention, where it has grown wild, but also cultivated it in my garden along with the odorata, and hence, seeing and noticing its mode of growth throughout the year, have perhaps been able to obtain a clearer idea of its history, than those who may have viewed it at one particular season only.

The Viola odorata throws out from the upper part of its root a number of stolones or shoots, which trail on the ground, and quickly take root at the joints, whereby it propagates itself very saft: the birta likewise encreases itself by throwing out young stalks; but then they are not procumbent, nor do they ever strike root as those of the odorata do; hence the birta does not encrease so fast, nor spread so wide. Although Linneus makes a considerable difference in the form of the roots of these plants, yet from what I have observed, this difference proceeds chiefly from the age of the roots; for in both species, the older they are, the more full are they of tubercles or ceeds chiefly from the age of the roots; for in both species, the older they are, the more full are they of tubercles or

cicatrices, formed by the annual shedding of the leaves.

The radical Stipulæ are lanceolate and serrated in both species.

The footfalks of the leaves form perhaps the most obvious difference; in the odorata they are nearly smooth; in the birta they are very hirsute, and this hairiness puts on a kind of silvery appearane in the young plants of this footies, where it is representable, and this hairiness puts on a kind of silvery appearane in the young plants of this

in the birta they are very hirfute, and this hairiness puts on a kind of filvery appearane in the young plants of this species, where it is remarkably conspicuous.

In the leaves themselves the difference is for the most part, not very remarkable, for in both species they are somewhat hirsute underneath; those of the birta however, are sometimes remarkably so, from growing in particular soils or situations: the leaves of the odorata have a more glossy appearance on their upper surface, but this scarce discriminates them unless they are contrasted. With respect to shape and size likewise, the difference is not very obvious; both species when in bloom are small, compared with the size to which they afterwards grow. In make they are somewhat longer, and not so perfectly heart-shaped.

In the specimens of this plant which I have examined, I could not perceive that sensible difference which LINN Eus notices (vid. Mantiss. Plant. alt. p. 483.) in the shape of the Peduncle above the Bractex; in both species they certainly are channeled at the back: in the situation of the Bractex, however, there is a very considerable difference, which does not appear to have been taken notice of, and this seemed to me to be so obvious a character, that I trust it will apologize for my altering its specific description: in the odorata, the Bractex are placed above the middle of the Scapus, or Peduncle; in the birta, they are situate below it: but there is one caution necessary to be observed respecting this character, viz. that the Bractex of each be observed, just when the flowers are fully expanded, for as that part of the Scapus, which is situated above the Bractex, grows considerably longer by the time that the flowers of the odorata are faded, so they should both be examined when of an equal age, otherwise this distinction will not appear for remarkable. this distinction will not appear so remarkable.

that the flowers of the odorata are faded, so they should both be examined when of an equal age, otherwise this distinction will not appear fo remarkable.

The flowers of the birta, in general, appear about a week later than those of the odorata, are of a paler blue colour, and entirely want that sweet fragrance which renders the odorata so grateful a harbinger of the Spring. In the other parts of the fructification, these plants are very similar to each other; but there is one circumstance respecting the manner in which they produce and disperse their seeds, which may not be generally known. Linnels in his Flora Succia, n. 789, observes that the flowers which the Viola mirabilis first produces from the root, are furnished with Petals, yet that these for the most part are barren, while those which blow later the same Spring, and rise from the stalk, although destitute of Petals, produce perfect seed: and Jacquin, in his excellent work the Flora Austriaca, where this plant is figured, (Vol. 1. pl. 19.) consirms the truth of Linnels's observations, and says that the barreness of those slowers appeared to arise from a desciency of the Stylus. Linnels in his valuable treatise above quoted, observes likewise, that the slowers of the Viola montana, which appear first, are furnished with Petals, but that those which are afterwards produced have no Petals, yet nevertheless are fertile; and this I find, on repeated examination, to be the case with the Viola odorata and birta, but more particularly the latter: they differ from the Viola mirabilis in this respect, that all the flowers which are formed, both with and without Petals, produce perfect seed. I was led to this discovery from observing a single plant of the Viola birta, to produce about the middle of Summer, ten or twelve capsules of ripe feeds, on which I was certain in the Spring no more than two or three blossoms had appeared: the next Spring I discovered, that besides those perfect blossoms which first spring up, this plant continues for a month or more to t





VIOLA TRICOLOR WILD PANSIE.

VIOLA Linnæi Gen: Pl. SYNGENESIA MONOGAMIA:
Raii Synop. Gen. 20. HERBÆ PENTAPETALÆ VASCULIFÈRÆ.
VIOLA tricolor, caule triquetro diffuso, foliis oblongis incisis, stipulis pinnatifidis. Linn: Syst. Vegetab. p. 668: Fl. Suecic. 307.
VIOLA caule diffuso, ramoso, foliis ovatis dentatis, flore calyce paulo majori. Haller. bist. tom: 1. n. 569.
VIOLA bicolor arvensis. G. Baubin. pin: 200:
VIOLA tricolor sylvestris. Parkinson. 755.
JACEA bicolor frugum et hortorum vitium. I. Baubin: III. 548: Raii Syn. p. 336. ii. Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 331: Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. p. 183.

RADIX fimplex, fibrofa:

CAULIS palmaris et ultra, plerumque diffusus, ramosus, angulosus, ad basin fordide purpureus; rami

FOLIA longe petiolata, elliptica, crenata, inferioribus fape minoribus, fubrotundis, fuperioribus angustis, fubdentatis.

STIPULÆ ad basin laciniato-pinnatisidæ, laciniis linearibus; extrema oblonga, dentata:

PEDUNCULI subquadrangulares, alterni, apice incurvati, dorso canaliculati, stipulis duobus parvis, membranaceis, prope florem, instructi.

CALYX: PERIANTHIUM pentaphyllum, perfiftens, foliolis acutis, tria *fuperiora* minora, ad bafin æqualia, fuprema erecta, petalis fupremis longiora, duo *inferiora* apice et bafi cæteris longiora, bafique latiora, petalis infimis breviora, fig. 2:

COROLLA pentapetala, irregularis, duo fuperiora fubrotunda, integerrima, albida, deorfum spectantia; lateralium lamina ovata, obtufa, ad bafin barbata, lineaque brevi purpurea notata; infimum latum emarginatum, ad basin slavum, lineis quin-

que purpureis pictum, CALCARE SEU NECTARIO NECTARIUM. terminatum, longitudine calycis, apice violaceo, obtufo, fig. 3, 4, 5, 6.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA quinque, brevissima; ANTHE-RÆ albidæ, vix coadunatæ, biloculares, membrana crocea terminatæ, e dubous inferioribus exeunt, nectariumque intrant, appendiculæ duæ

lineares, fig. 7, 8, 9, 10.
PISTILLUM: GERMEN subconicum, fig. 11; STYLUS ad basin tortuosus, staminibus longior, fig. 12; STIGMA capitatum, oblique perforatum, per-

fistens, fig. 13.
PERICARPIUM: CAPSULA ovata, glabra, unilocularis,

trivalvis, fig. 14, 15. SEMINA plurima, ovata, fusca, nitida, appendiculata, valvis feriatim affixa, fig. 15.

ROOT simple and sibrous.

STALK about four or fix inches high, generally spreading, branched, angular, at bottom of a dull pur-ple colour; the branches alternate.

LEAVES placed on long foot-stalks, elliptical, crenated, the lowermost often smaller and roundish, the

uppermost narrow and slightly indented.

STIPULÆ at bottom jagged and pinnatissid, the laciniæ or jags linear, that which terminates the Stipula oblong and indented.

FOOT-STALKS of the flowers, nearly quadrangular, alternate, bent in at top, channeled on the back, and furnished with two small membranous Stipulæ near the flower.

CALYX: a Perianthium of five leaves and continuing, the leaves sharply pointed, the three upper ones smallest, and equal at bottom, the uppermost upright and longer than the uppermost petals, the two under leaves longer both at bottom and top than the rest, and at bottom likewise broader, shorter than the lowermost petals, fig. 2.

COROLLA pentapetalous and irregular, the two uppermost petals roundish, entire, and reslected; the lamina or broad part of the side petals oval, obtuse, bearded at bottom, and marked with a fhort purple line; the lowermost petal broad, emarginate, yellow at bottom, and streaked with five purple lines, and terminated by a NECTARY. Spur or NECTARY the length of the Calyx, with a blueish and blunt point, fig. 3,

4, 5, 6.
STAMINA: five FILAMENTS very fhort; ANTHERÆ whitish, scarcely united, bilocular, terminated by a faffron coloured membrane; from the two lowermost two linear appendages go off and enter the Nectary, fig. 7, 8, 9, 10.

PISTILLUM: Germen somewhat conical, fig. 11;

STYLE twifted at bottom and longer than the

Stamina, fig. 12; STIGMA forming a little head, obliquely perforated and continuing, fig. 13. SEED-VESSEL: an oval fmooth CAPSULE of one cavity

and three valves, fig. 14, 15.

SEEDS numerous, oval, brown and fhining, with a button to each, affixed in rows to the infide of the valves, fig. 15.

Few plants have acquired a greater variety of names than the Viola Tricolor; in different Authors and different counties we find the following, viz. Wild Pansie, Herb Trinity, Hearts ease, Three faces under a hood, Cull me to you, Love in Idleness, &c. what has occasioned some of these is the different appearance it puts on from cultivation and change of soil; in a garden there are few flowers that can boast a greater variety or richness of colour, sew that continue longer in blossom, or are cultivated with more ease; it is probable that the large yellow Violet, Viola lutea, is no more than a variety of this species.

The Pansie in its wild state occurs very frequently in outside the falls of the continue longer.

The Pansie in its wild state occurs very frequently in cultivated fields, and blossoms through most of the summer months. It is so hardy as to appear in Lapland amongst the few other plants which ornament the wastes of that Country during its short summer. It is eaten by Kine and Goats.

The difference in the form of the Stigma feems to divide the plants of this Genus into two families, viz. Pansies and Violets, in the former the Stigma is round, with a remarkable hole on one fide of it, in the latter it is hooked.

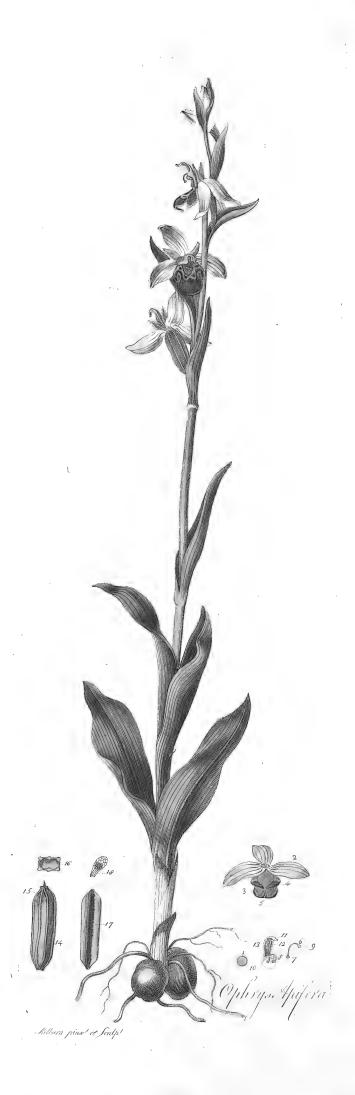
Linnæus remarks the black lines which sometimes appear on the Petals, Milton had observed the same, Pansies freakt with Jet" In a poor soil the purple and yellow in the bloom of this flower frequently become very saint, and sometimes fade into a persect white, this variation in colour gives a propriety to the Metamorphosis of this flower in which SHAKESPEAR pays an elegant compliment to his royal mistress.

That very time I saw, (but thou could'st not)
Flying between the cold Moon and the Earth,
Cupid all-arm'd: a certain aim he took,
At a fair Vestal, throned by the west,
And loos'd his love-shaft smartly from his bow,
As it should pierce a hundred thousand hearts:
But I might see young Cupid's stery shaft
Quench'd in the chaste beams of the watery moon,
And the imperial votress passed on,
In maiden meditation sancy-free. In maiden meditation fancy-free.
Yet mark'd I where the bolt of Cupid fell,
It fell upon a little western slower; Before, milk-white; now purple with Love's wound, And Maidens call it Love in Idleness. And the control of th

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OPHRYS APIFERA. BEE ORCHIS.

OPHRYS. Linn. Gen. Pl. ed. 3. GYNANDRIA DIANDRIA.

ORCHIS. Raii Synopsis, ed. 3. 379. HERBÆ BULBOSIS AFFINES.

OPHRYS apifera bulbis fubrotundis, scapo folioso, nectarii labio quinquelobo; lobis subtus inflexis. Hudson. Fl. Angl. 340.

ORCHIS, radicibus fubrotundis, labello holosericeo, emarginato, appendiculato. Haller. hist. vol. 2. 1266. tab. 24. Duas species apiseram et musciseram Hudsonis et Halleri sub uno nomine Insectisera conjungit Cl. Linnaus. Fuschii icon. 560. Bauhin pin. 83. Gerard. emac. 212.

CAULIS semipedalis aut pedalis, teres, fig. 1, foliosus.

BRACTEÆ magnæ, vaginantes, virides, longitudine

FLORES a tribus ad fex, spicati.

COROLLA: PETALA quinque, tria exteriora reliquis majora, ovata, concava, reflexa, purpurafcentia, serioribus pallidioribus, subcarinata, carina viridi, fig. 2; duo interiora exterioribus quadruplo minora, angusta, hirsuta, postice canaliculata, ad basin latiora, antrorsum extantia.

NECTARII Labellum amplum, leniter convexum, fuborbiculatum, fusco-sericeum, maculis slavis frequenter variegatum, quinquelobum, lobis inflexis, fig. 3; lateralibus subtriangularibus, hirsutis, fig. 4; medio anteriorum productiore, apice recurvato slavo, fig. 5; machina staminum sive Stylus longa, suberecta, apice incurvata et sursum recurvota, fig. 11, antice bilocularis, loculis apertis, fig. 12, angustis, marginibus albis, membranaceis, fig. 13.

STAMINA: FILAMENTA duo, fig. 6, e squamula nectarifera ad basin Styli exemtia, nutantia, Stigmati frequenter adhærentia, fig. 8, basi glandula sive globulo albo pellucido instructa, fig. 7; ANTHERÆ fubrotundæ, flavæ fig. 9.

PISTILLUM: GERMEN oblongum, hexangulare, angulis obtufis *rectis*; STIGMA, *fig.* 10, melleo liquore obductum, cui particulæ Antherarum frequenter adhærent.

PERICARPIUM: CAPSULA oblonga, fusca, uncialis, fig. 14, unilocularis, fig. 16, trivalvis, valvis carinatis, fig. 15

SEMINA plurima, minuta, oblonga, utraque extremitate membranacea, pellucida, reticulata, fig. 18, lente aucta, interiori parti carinæ longitudinaliter affixa, fig. 17.

RADIX, Bulbi duo, fubrotundi, inæquales, radiculis ROOT, two roundish unequal bulbs, furnished at top with longis vix sibross supra instructi.

STALK from half a foot to a foot high, round, fig. 1, leafy.

FOLIA vaginantia, ovatò-lanceolata, fubtus fubargentea, fibris lineata, fæpe mutilata et fufca.

LEAVES embracing the ftalk, of an oval pointed fhape, underneath filvery, with linear fibres, frequently imperfect, and of a brown colour.

FLORAL LEAVES large, in the form of a sheath, green, and of equal length with the flowers.

FLOWERS from three to fix, growing in a fpike:

COROLLA: five PETALS, the three exterior larger than the rest, oval, concave, turning back, purplish, somewhat keel-shaped, the keel green, fig. 2; the latter flowering paleft: the two interior four times smaller than the others, narrow, hairy, hollow behind, broadest at bottom, and projecting forward.

NECTARY. The Lip of the Nectary large, fomewhat ARY. The Lip of the Nectary large, fomewhat convex, roundish, of a filky brown colour, frequently variegated with yellow spots; having five lobes, the lobes bending underneath, fig. 3; the two fide lobes somewhat triangular and hairy, fig. 4; the middle of the anterior running out to a point, which turns back, and is of a yellow colour, fig. 5; the STYLE, which in this plant supports the Stamina, long, upright, at the tip bending downwards, and again upwards, fig. 11, anteriorly, having two cavities which are open and narrow, fig. 11, the edges white and membranous, fig. 12. 11, the edges white and membranous, fig. 13.

STAMINA: two FILAMENTS, fig. 6, arising from the bottom of the Style out of a nectariferious scale, hanging down, frequently adhering to the Stig ma, fig. 8, furnished at bottom with a small transparent gland or globule, fig. 7; the Antheræ roundish and yellow, fig. 6.

PISTILLUM: the Germen oblong, having fix angles, the angles obtuse, not twisted; the Stigma, fig. 10, covered with a viscid substance like honey, to which small particles of the Antheræ frequently adhere

SEED-VESSEL: a CAPSULE about an inch in length, oblong, brown, fig. 14, of one cavity, fig. 16, and three valves, the valves keel-shaped, fig. 15.

SEEDS numerous, fmall, oblong; at each end membra-nous, transparent, and reticulated, fig. 18, mag-nified, affixed lengthwife to the infide of the keel of each valve, fig. 17.

Flowers in the Months of June and July, the Seed is ripe the latter end of August.

Grows-generally on chalky ground near woods, and fometimes in meadows; is become fo rare about London, as fearcely to be found with any certainty. Mr. Alchorne informs me he has frequently gathered it in the pits behind Charlton-Church, and in the woods near Chiffelburst in Kent: but it is often met with in plenty at a greater distance from town.

The root appears to possess the fame virtues with those of the Orchis from which Salop is made, but being much smaller, is not worth cultivating on that account. The great resemblance which the flower bears to a Bee, makes it much sought after by Florids, whose curiosty indeed often prompts them to exceed the bounds of moderation, recting up

fmaller, is not worth cultivating on that account. The great refemblance which the flower bears to a Bee, makes it much fought after by Florists, whose curiosity indeed, often prompts them to exceed the bounds of moderation, rooting up all they find, without leaving a single specimen to chear the heart of the Student in his botanic excursions. The best time of transplanting them is when they are in flower. This, with most of the other Orchis's, was cultivated with the greatest success by the late Peter Collinson, Esq; (whose memory will always be revered by every Botanist) in his garden at Mill-bill.—His method was to place them in a soil and situation as natural to them as possible, and to suffer the grass and herbage to grow round them.

I have not yet heard of their being propagated by seed; it is to be wished that some intelligent Gardiner would exert himself in making some experiments to raise them in this way.

Botanists have often been at a loss in classing many plants, to find some resemblance by which they might distinguish their particular species; but in this plant the case is otherwise, the flower is so like the insect that gives it its name, that it strikes every beholder with admiration; what useful purpose is intended by it, we do not at present know: Some suture Observer may perhaps discover, for they who will examine Nature herself, "have much to see."





HARTS-TONGUE. ASPLENIUM SCOLOPENDRIUM.

ASPLENIUM Linnæi. Gen. Pl. CRYPTOGAMIA FILICES.

Raii. Synop. Gen. HERBÆ CAPILLARES ET AFFINES.

ASPLENIUM frondibus fimplicibus cordato-lingulatis integerrimis, stipitibus hirsutis. Lin. Sp. Pl. 1537.

ASPLENIUM Frondes lanceolatæ, acuminatæ, basi cordatæ, integerrimæ, medio latiores. Scopoli. Fl. Carn.

ASPLENIUM petiolis hirfutis, folio longe lineari-lanceolato, integerrimo, circa petiolum exfcisso.

Haller. Hift. n. 1665.

HEMIONITIS. Fuschii. Icon. 294.

PHYLLITIS vulgaris. Cluf. bift.

SCOLOPENDRIA vulgaris Tragi.

LINGUA CERVINA officinarum. Bauhin. Pin. 350. Gerard. emac. 1138. Parkinson. 1046. Raii. Synop. 116. Hudson. Fl. Angl. 384.

RADIX perennis, fibrosissima, fusca, fibris fibrillis ROOT tenuisimis instructis.

STIPITES plures, pilofi.

FRONDES cordato-lingulatæ, longitudine pedales, latitudine fere bipollicares, glaberrimæ, margine undulato, nervo medio inferne pilofo.

FRUCTIFICATIO. Glomera linearia, obliqua, in pagina inferiore frondis nervo medio utrinque feriatim disposita, fig. 1, 2, 3.

INVOLUCRUM. Squama linearis, bivalvis, longitudinaliter dehificens, fig. 2.

CAPSULÆ numerofæ, fubglobfæ, uniloculares, pedicelleter appelle loofe, in 2006.

dicellatæ, annulo elastico cinctæ, fig. 5, 7, lente auctæ.

perennial, exceedingly fibrous, the fibres brown, and furnished with other fibres, which are very minute.

STALKS numerous and mosfly, or hairy.

LEAVES tongue-shaped, at bottom cordate, about a foot in length, and one inch and a half in breadth, of a bright yellowish green colour, and shining, the margin a little waved, and the midrib on the under fide mosfly.

FRUCTIFICATION placed in oblique lines on the under fide of the leaf, on each fide of the midrib, fig. 1, 2, 3.

INVOLUCRUM a linear membrane or case, of two

valves, opening longitudinally, fig. 2. CAPSULES numerous, flanding on foot-flalks, nearly globular, furrounded by an elastic ring, and having one cavity, as they appear magnified,

SEMINA numerofa, fubrotunda, minutissima, fig. 7, \$\frac{1}{2}\$ SEEDS roundish, very numerous and minute, fig. 7, as they appear through a great magnifier, fig. 8.

lente valde auctæ, fig. 8.

THIS is one of those plants which some botanic writers have called Epiphyllospermæ, from producing their seeds on the back of the leaves. Linnæus includes it in his class Cryptagamia, as neither stamina nor pistilla have yet been discovered on it. The first appearance of fructification that we observe, are some little bags or cases, of a yellowish or whitish green colour, placed in rows on the under side of the leaves, fig. 1, on opening of which, almost as soon as they become visible, we find the capsules or seed-vessels, fig. 2, very numerous, standing upright, and close together: at this time they appear of a green colour; as they approach towards maturity, they change this for a deep brown: the cases then open lengthways in the middle, the two sides, by the protrusion of the capsules, are turned quite back, and wholly disappear, fig. 3. This membranous substance or case, may be considered as similar to the casystra in Mosses, or casys in other plants, and serves to secure and defend the tender seed and capsules, which being now become ripe, exhibit a most striking proof of that wisdom which the benevolent Author of Nature manifests in all the works of his creation.

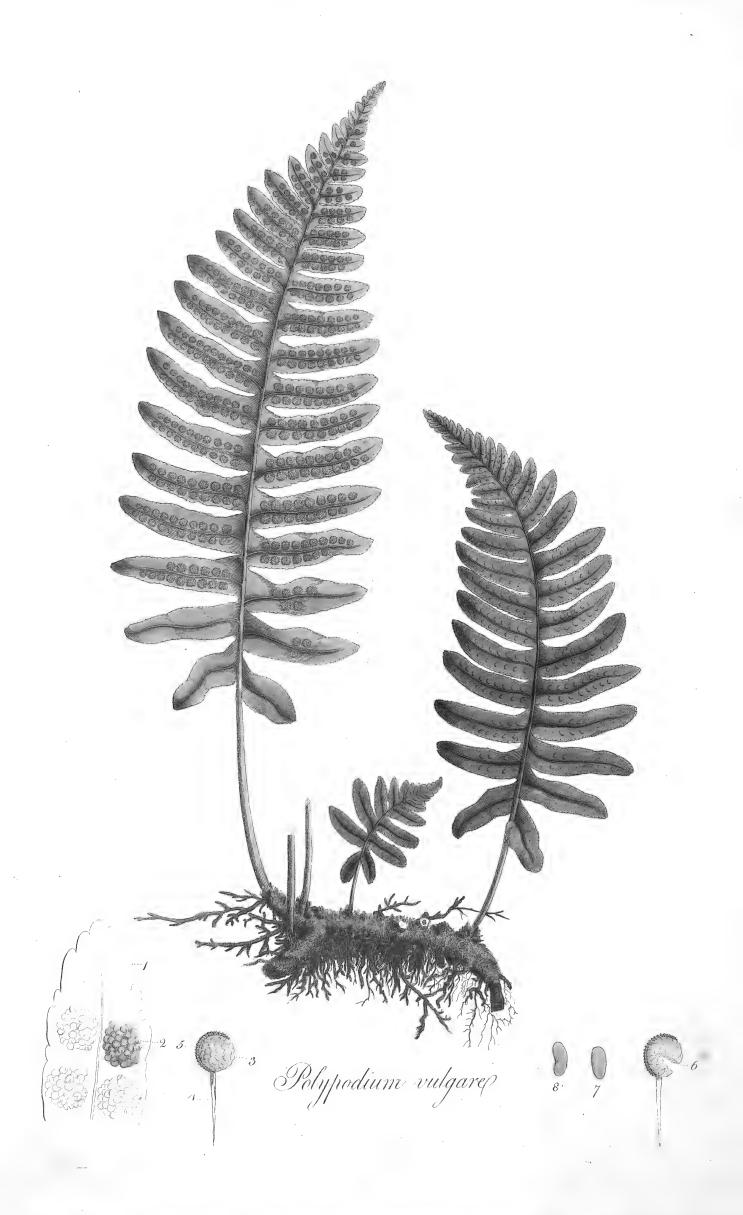
Each capsule or seed-vessel, consists of three parts; first the foot-stalk, fig. 4, which supports and connects them to the least; secondly, the jointed spring, fig. 5, which nearly surrounds the third part, or cavity containing the seeds fastered and thrown to a considerable distance; one half of the cavity remains connected to one end of the spring, and the other half to the other end, fig. 7.

Some of the capsules being some ripe than others, discharge their seed sooner, so that it is a considerable time before they all become empty. On applying an entire row before the microscope for the first time, I was immediately struck with the motion that appeared in them, and afterwards found that the warmth of my breath occasioned a great number of the capsules to keep continually discharging their seeds, so a almost to gi

I feparated them with the point of a penknife, from their connection to the leaf, and again placed them before the microscope, which then gave me a very different, and, after a little examination, a very clear idea of their structure; many appeared with the feeds discharged, several in the act of discharging them, and some as yet entire: it frequently happened, that while I was intently looking at one which I expected would open, at the instant of discharging, it would be carried out of my sight by the strength and elasticity of the spring; and it was not till after repeated trials, that I was able clearly to observe the manner of their opening. The feeds are very numerous, and scarcely wished to the naked eye: when magnified, they appear of a roundish figure, and full of little projecting points. Both Grew and Swammerdam have given figures on this subject; but those of Swammerdam are by much the most natural. As a great deal of the fatisfaction in viewing objects of this kind, depends on the kind, as well as goodness of the microscope, that none of my readers may be disappointed in the experiments they may make with this entertaining instrument, I may inform them, that the microscope I make use of, is that which is fold in the shops by the name of Ellis's Aquatic Microscope, and which is made for this purpose, with particular care and accuracy, by George Adams of Fleet-Street, Mathematical Instrument Maker to his Majesty.

This plant may be found in feed from September to November, in shady lanes and on walls, and is frequently found growing within-side of old wells. It is met with but rarely about town, though cultivated in most of our botanic gardens. It is an officinal plant, and is recommended by Rax, from his own experience, as a good medicine against convulsive disorders.





POLYPODIUM VULGARE. COMMON POLYPODY.

POLYPODIUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. CRYPTOGAMIA FILICES.

Fructific. in punctis subrotundis sparsis per discum frondis:

Raii Syn. HERBÆ CAPILLARES ET AFFINES.

POLYPODIUM vulgare frondibus pinnatifidis: pinnis oblongis subserratis obtusis. Linn. Syst. Vegetab.

p. 786. Fl. Suecic. p. 373.

POLYPODIUM foliis pinnatis, lanceolatis, radice squamata. Haller hist. n. 1696.

POLYPODIUM vulgare. Scopoli Fl. Carniol. n. 1266.

POLYPODIUM vulgare. Bauhin. pin. 359.

POLYPODIUM vulgare. Parkinson 1039.

POLYPODIUM Gerard emac. 1138. Raii Syn. p. 117, Polypody. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 387.

RADIX oblique fub terræ sperficie reptat, fibras suas ROOT creeps obliquely under the surface of the earth, ex tuberculis quibus plurimis scatet demirtens, fending forth a number of fibres from little ad crassitudinem fere minimi digiti accedens, fquamis fuscis tecta, colore foris buxea, intus fere herbacea, fapore dulci, tandem acerbo et adstringente.

STIPITES læves, interne fulcati.

CAPSULÆ in acervulis, magnis, flavis, rotundis, nervo utrinque seriatim locatæ, pedicellatæ, subrotundæ, superficie granulata a seminibus protuberantibus, annulo elastico brevi instructæ, in valvulas duas dehiscentes, fig. 2, 3, 3, 5, 6.

tubercles, which are plentifully distributed over its surface, about the thickness of the little finger, fometimes flenderer, covered with brown mostly scales, externally of a pale yellow colour, internally greenish, of a taste at first sweet, but finally sowerish and astringent.

STALKS fmooth, grooved on the inner fide.

FRONDES semipedales aut pedales, pinnatifidæ, pinnæ LEAVES from half a foot to a foot in length, pinnati-oblongæ, subserratæ, obtusæ, inferne pallidiores. LEAVES from half a foot to a foot in length, pinnati-fid; the pinnæ oblong, slightly serrated, obtuse, fid; the pinnæ oblong, flightly ferrated, obtuse, paleish underneath.

> CAPSULES placed in a row on each fide the midrib of the leaf, in large, yellow, round dots, standing on foot stalks, of a roundish shape, with the surface granulated from the seeds protuberating, furnished with a short elastic spring, and opening into two valves, fig. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

SEMINA plurima, ovata, aut subreniformia flava, fig. \$ SEEDS numerous, oval or somewhat kidney-shaped, of a yellow colour, fig. 7, 8.

IN all those plants of the Fern Tribe which I have hitherto had an opportunity of examining, there appears to be much the same mechanism in their parts of fructification; one of the most striking and useful of which is the elastic ring which surrounds the Capsules, by means of which they are forced open and the seeds discharged. So necessary a part one should not conceive would be wanting in any of these plants, nor will it, I believe, be found to be so: yet many Botanists, and those too of eminence, not only deny its existence, but make the want of it a character to distinguish this Genus. Gleditch gives us the following as part of the generic character of the Polypodium "Capsulæ annulo destitutæ." Adanson also gives it the same character, "sans anneau." It will perhaps not be difficult to account for this mistake; and at the same time it will shew us how injurious it is to science, for Authors to take things for granted without examining for themselves. In Tournefort's elegant figures of the Genera, the Capsules of the Polypodium are represented without any ring: on the truth of these figures it is highly probable that those Authors have relied; for had they made use of their own eyes, assisted by a small magnifier, they could not have avoided seeing what Malpighi long before their time delineated, though rudely, and Gleichen could not have avoided feeing what Malpighi long before their time delineated, though rudely, and Gleichen fince more elegantly figured.

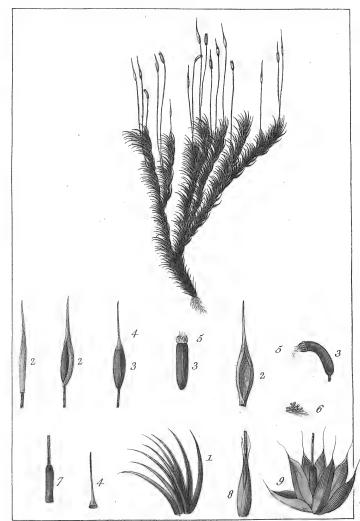
There is one circumstance attending this species of *Polypodium*, which however does not run through the whole of this Genus, viz. the want of an Involucrum or Membrane; the little dots or assemblage of Capsules are not covered with any membrane; or if there be a membrane, it is very early deciduous, and not visible when the Capsules have arrived at a tolerable degree of maturity.

This species of *Polypody* grows very common in woods and shady lanes on the old stumps of various trees; it differs much in fize: sometimes it occurs on the Oak, in which case its virtue as a medicine has been more celebrated.

Its effects when taken inwardly are flightly purgative: it has been recommended in various diforders of the Vifcera, in the Cachexy, fwelling of the Spleen, Jaundice, obstructions of the Mesenteric Glands, Hypochondriac Disease, Cough, Asthma, &c. but it has generally been given with some other medicines.

In the present practice it is but little regarded.

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Bryum Scoparium9.

BRYUM SCOPARIUM. BROOM BRYUM.

BRYUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. CRYPTOGAMIA MUSCI.

Raii Syn. Gen. 3: Musci.

BRYUM scoparium, Antheris erectiusculis, pedunculis aggregatis, foliis secundis recurvatis, caule declinato. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p 797:

HYPNUM foliis falcatis, heteromallis; vaginis multifloris. Haller hift. n. 1777.

HYPNUM scoparium. Scopoli Fl. Carn. p. 334. DIAGN. Florescentia Hyemalis. Folia arcuata, secunda, tenuia. Setæ fæpe plures.

BRYUM scoparium: furculo declinato, ramoso, foliis secundis, recurvatis, primordialibus plumulosis. Necker. method. musc. p. 224.

HYPNUM scoparium. Weis. Cryptogam. p. 213.

BRYUM reclinatum, foliis falcatis, scoparum effigie: The sickle-leaf'd bending Beason Bryum. Dillen. musc. p. 357. tab. 46. fig. 16

BRYUM erectis capitulis angustifolium, caule reclinato. Cat. Gifs. 222. Raii Syn. 95. Hudson Fl. Angl. p. 406.

CAULES unciales aut biunciales et ultra, fuberecti, ra- * STALKS from one to two inches high and more, nearly most, in denso cæspite collecti, fordide rusi, * upright, branched, growing thickly together, infra multo tomento fusco obsiti.

FOLIA caulem inæqualiter circumstant, hinc in quibusdam locis nudiusculus relinquitur, in aliis foliis crebrioribus vestitur, præcipue ad apicem, longa, linearia, acuminata, canaliculata, fig. 1, recurvata, fecunda.

di, erecti, ex uno latere caulium plerumque oriuntur, aliquando vero ex apice, ut plurimum folitarii, subinde vero duo ex eodem perichætio proveniunt, basi bulbillo cylindraceo terminati, fig. 7, qui foliis pluribus latiusculis, pilo terminatis, acû facile separabilibus includitur, fig. 8, 9.

CAPSULÆ oblongæ et fere cylindraceæ, nunc eredæ, nunc paululum incurvatæ, fig. 3; Operculum roftratum, tenue, longitudine capfulæ et concolor, fig. 4; ORA ciliata five denticulata, fig. 5; CALYPTRA firaminea, longitudine Capfulæ, postquam medio disrumpitur, basi suo capfulam arcte cingit, fig. 2; POLLEN viride, fig. 6.

upright, branched, growing thickly together, of a dirty red colour, and covered at bottom with a dark brown woody fubstance.

LEAVES: the leaves cover the stalk unequally, hence in fome places it is left rather naked, in others thickly covered with leaves, particularly towards the top, are long, linear, pointed, grooved, fig. 1, bent back, and turning all one ved, fig. 1,

PEDUNCULI unciales aut biunciales, ad basin rubicun- FOOT-STALKS an inch or two inches high, towards the bottom reddish, upright, arising generally from the fide of the stalks, but sometimes from the top, most commonly single, but now and then two proceed from the same perichætium, furnished at bottom with a cylindrical bulb, fig. 7, which is inclosed by many broadish leaves, terminating in a hair, and easily separated by a

needle, fig. 8, 9. CAPSULES oblong and almost cylindrical, formetimes. upright, fometimes a little incurvated, fig. 3; the OPERCULUM the length of the Capfule, and of the same colour, terminating in a long slender point, fig. 4; the Mouth ciliated or furnished with little teeth, fig. 5; the CALYPTRA flraw-coloured, the length of the Capsule, after bursting in the middle closely embracing the Capsule by its hase. Capsule by its base, fig. 2; the Pollen green,

DILLENIUS very justly remarks, that this Moss feems to partake of the nature of both Bryum and Hypnum, but in his opinion, it comes nearest to the Bryum, and of the same sentiment appear to be LINNEUS and NECKER, while Haller, Scopoli, and Weis, rank it among the Hypnums, and this they are led to, chiefly from the Peduncles being surnished at bottom with a kind of Perichetium; but Dillenius very properly observes, that although the peduncle is surrounded at bottom by many squame or folioli, yet these are not similar to what occur in the generality of Hypnums, as they may with the point of a pin be easily separated from one another, and then the base of the peduncle appears to be surnished with a bulbillus as in most of the Bryums: this circumstance added to its general habit, appears fully to justify this most excellent Botanist in placing it with the Bryums, from whence it ought not to have been separated without more weighty reasons than have been advanced.

This Moss distinguishes itself from most others by its beautifull and lively verdure; when young it puts on a very different appearance from what it has when farther advanced, being much shorter and its leaves upright; and Dille

different appearance from what it has when farther advanced, being much shorter and its leaves upright; and DILLE-

NIUS has fometimes remarked in this species Stellulæ fæmineæ.

It grows in very large Clumps or Patches forming a soft and delightfull Carpet, on the banks which surround woods, at the bottom of trees, and on heaths.

It is found on some parts of Hampstead heath producing its fructifications in February and March.

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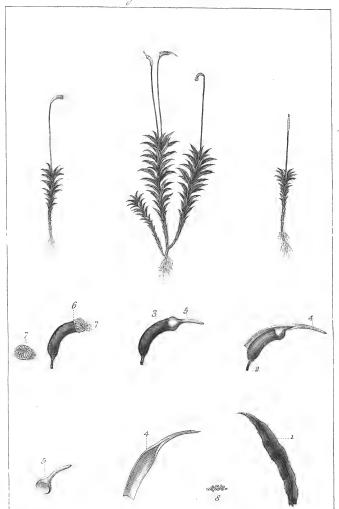
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Bryum Undulatum .



BRYUM UNDULATUM. CURLED BRYUM.

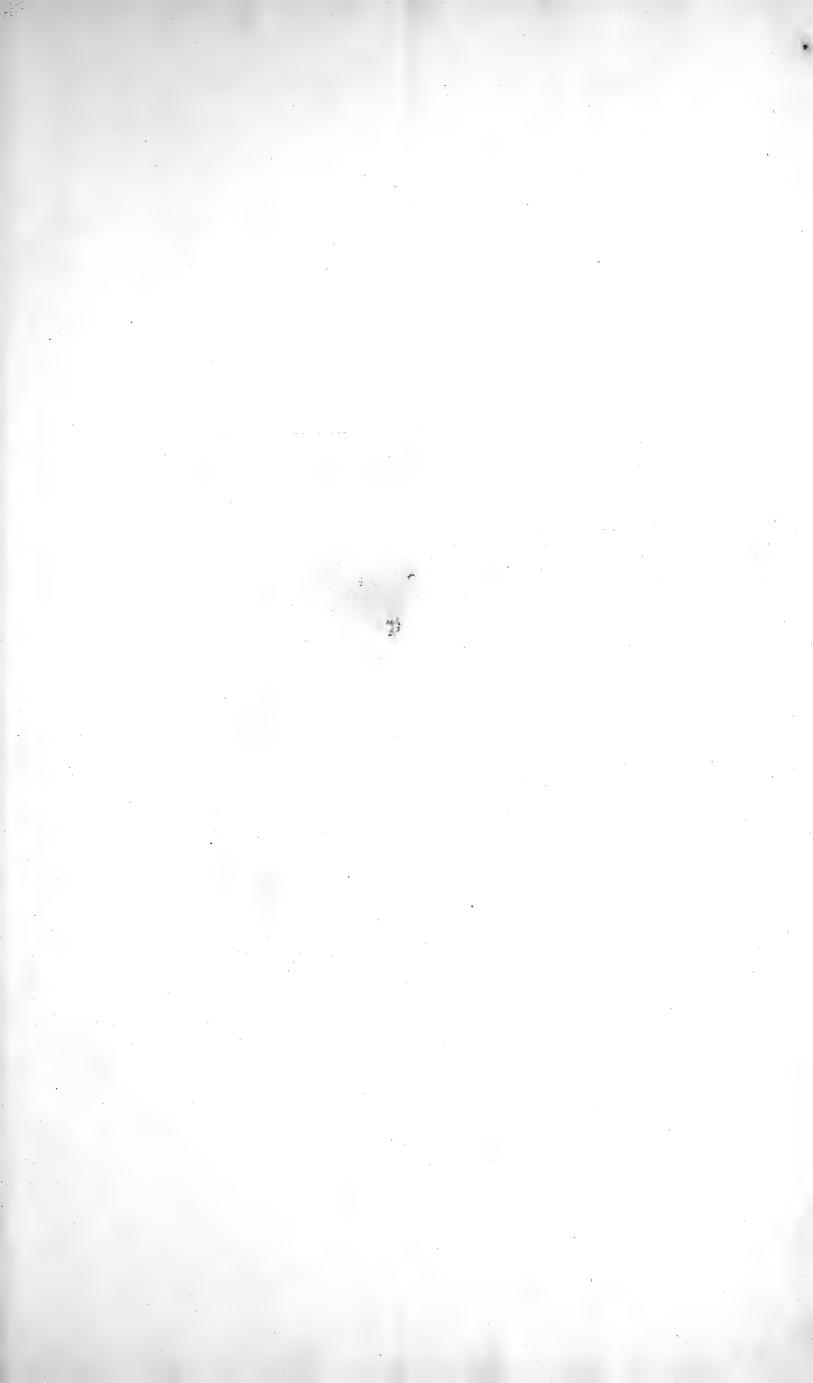
- BRYUM Linnai. Gen. Pl. CRYPTOGAMIA Musci. Raii Syn. Gen. 3. Musci.
- BRYUM (undulatum) antheris erectiusculis, pedunculis subsolitariis, foliis lanceolatis carinatis undulatis pateritibus ferratis. Linn. Syft. Vegetab. p. 797.
- BRYUM foliis lanceolatis ferratis, capfulis cylindricis inclinatis ariftatis. Haller. bift. tom. 2. 1823.
- BRYUM phyllitidifolium: furculo fimplici, foliis undato-ferrulatis, primordialibus plumulofis. Necker. method. muscor. p. 203. cur nomen triviale a Cl. Neckero mutaretur non video, cum analogia unde nomen ejus fumitur obscura sit, observante Cl. Scopoli.
- BRYUM Phyllitidis folio rugoso acuto, capsulis incurvis. Dillen muse. 360. tab. 46. fig. 18.
- BRNUM undulatum. Scopoli. Fl. Carniol. n. 1301. Raii Syn. p. 95. 16. Hudson Fl. Angl. 406. Weis Cryptogam. 196. Oeder Fl. Dan. tab. 497. nostris duplo saltem minor, cum operculo nimis recto et acuto.
- ces, erecti, foliofi.
- FOLIA lanceolata, undulata, carinata, ferrato-aculeata, patentia, arefactione involuta, fig. 1.
- PEDUNCULI fimplices, (duo ex eodem furculononnunquam proveniunt) furculis plerumque longiores, erecti, rubri, fig. 2.
- CAPSULA five ANTHERA cylindracea, incurvata, lente vifa fubstriata, primum viridis, dein ex lividofusca, demum rufa, fig. 3. Basis Operculi hemisphærica, rubra, apex pallida, setacea, obtusiuscula, fig. 5, Capsulæ Ora ciliata Ciliis inflexis, fig. 7; Annulus ruber, fig. 6; Pollen seu Semen viride, fig. 8.
- CALYPTRA pallide fusca, acuminata, primum erecta, flexura capsulæ disrumpitur, et recta manet, bafique suà a Capsula secedit, fig. 4.

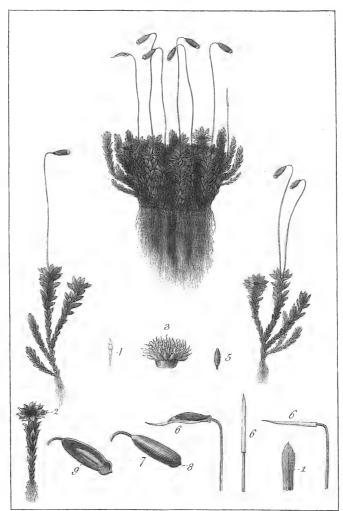
- SURCULI unciales, aut biunciales, plerumque fimpli- * STALKS from one to two inches high, generally fimple, upright and leafy.
 - LEAVES lanceolate, waved, keel-shaped, minutely and sharply serrated at the edges, spreading, when dry curling in, fig. 1.
 - FOOT-STALKS of the fructification fimple, (fome-times two proceed from the fame flalk) generally longer than the stalks, upright, and of a reddish colour, fig. 2.
 - CAPSULE or ANTHERA cylindrical, incurvated, if magnified appearing fomewhat striated; first green, then livid-brown, and lastly of a reddish brown colour; fig. 3, the bottom of the Oper-culum hemispherical and red, the top paler, very flender and rather blunt; fig. 5, the Mouth of the Capfule furnished with CILLE which bend inward, fg. 7; the Annulus or Ring red, fg. 6; the Pollen or Seed green,
 - fig. 8.

 CALYPTRA of a pale brown colour, and terminating in a long point, first upright, afterwards have the hending of the state of t in a long point, first upright, afterwards by the bending of the Capfule it becomes burst at bottom, and remains strait, with its base at some little distance from the Capsule.

This species of Bryum is one of the largest we have in this Country, it produces its fructification from November to February and may be found in most of the woods near Town, as well as on the heaths, but more particularly in Charlton Wood, where it abounds.

As all its parts of fructification are large and diffinct, the botanic Student who would investigate this difficult class of plants, cannot with this view, select any moss more proper for his purpose.





Bryum hornum.

BRYUM HORNUM. SWANS-NECK BRYUM.

MNIUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. CRYPTOGAMIA Musci. Masculus flos pedunculatus. Femineus flos in distincto fæpius individuo.

Raii Synopsis Gen. 3. Musci.

MNIUM hornum antheris pendulis, pedunculo curvato, furculo fimplici, foliolis margine fcabris. Linnei Syft. Vegetab. 796.

BRYUM hornum furculo capitulifero ramofiusculo: stellifero simplici, primordialibus plumulosis. Necker. Method. Musc. p. 215.

MNIUM foliis lanceolatis, imbricatis, capfulis pendulis cylindricis obtufis. Haller. hift. helv. 3. p. 54.

MNIUM hornum serratifolium. Weis Cryptogam. 149.

BRYUM antheris oblongis nutantibus, pedunculo curvato, foliolis ovatis, margine fcabris. Hudson. Fl. Angl. p. 415.

BRYUM stellare hornum sylvarum, Capsulis magnis nutantibus. Dillen. musc. 402.

BRYUM nitidum capitulis majoribus reflexis, calyptra imum vergente, pediculis oblongis e cauliculis novis egredientibus. Raii Syn. p. 102. 51.

Ad majores accedit hæc species.

CAULES unciales aut biunciales, radiculis ferrugineis, STALKS from one to two inches in height, furnished with roots which are of a ferruginous colour, most, pedunculiferi et stelliseri, ad basin rubicundi, STELLULÆ et PEDUNCULI, nunc feorsim, rupis en endem radice provociunt, puncture per entere per ente nunc ex eadem radice proveniunt, unusque aut plures Surculi e basi caulis semper fere nascuntur.

PEDUNCULI terminales, biunciales, rubræ, versus apicem ut recte observavit DILLENIUS instar about two inches in height, bent near the top colli olorini incurvati.

PEDUNCLES springing from the summit of the stalks, about two inches in height, bent near the top like a Swans Neck as DILLENIUS has properly

aucta, fig. 7; per longitudinem fecta ut Receptaculum confpiciatur, fig. 9; Calyptra longa, acuminata, caduca, fig. 6; Operculum breve, flavescens, fig. 8; Ora ciliata.

This species comes near to the largest size.

and covered with a kind of wooly fubstance, upright and generally branched, reddish at bottom, producing both PEDUNCULI and STELLULE, which proceed fometimes from the fame, fometimes from different roots, and one or feveral Surculi usually spring from the bottom of the stalk.

FOLIA faturate viridia, ovato-lanceolata, fuberecta, pellucida, ad lentem minute ferrata, fig. 1; nervo medio diftincto et in mucronem brevem educto, in furculis fœmineis dictis apice stellatim expansa, et paulo latiora, in junioribus angustiora et cauli magis adpressa.

LEAVES of a deep green colour, of an oval pointed shape, nearly upright, pellucid, when viewed with a glass finely ferrated at the edges, fig. 1; the midrib distinct, and terminating in a short point, on the tops of those falk, which are considered as female, they are expanded like a little star and somewhat broader, in the young shoots they are narrower and prefled closer to the stalk.

CAPSULÆ oblongæ, tumidæ, virides, nutantes, lente CAPSULES oblong, tumid, of a green colour and droopaucta, fig. 7; per longitudinem fecta ut Receptaculum confpiciatur, fig. 9; CALYPTRA the middle that the RECEPTACULUM may be feen, fig. 9; the CALYPTRA long, pointed, and foon falling off, fig. 6; the Operculum short, of a yellowish colour, fig. 8; the Mouth of the Capfule ciliated.

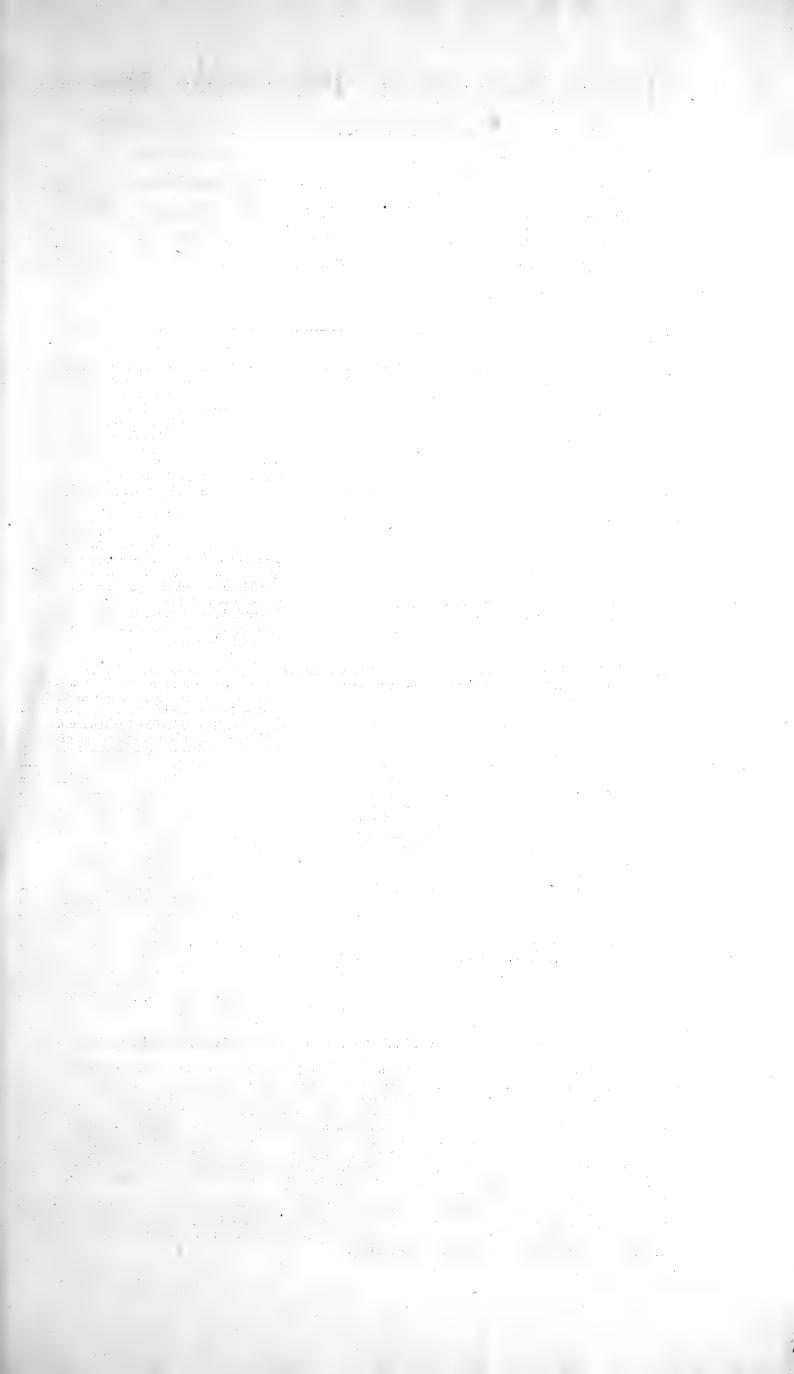
On examining with a Microscope the tops of those Stalks which are called Stellulæ semineæ, sig. 2, and which are considered by many as the semale parts of the fructification in this Moss, there appeared in the center of the Stellula, a great number of small upright bodies, or Corpuscles, of two kinds, sig. 3, the one white, pellucid, and jointed; the other of a greener colour, shorter, and of an oblong oval shape, vid. sig. 4, 5. They do not appear to me to have any thing in their Structure, in the least similar to any of the parts of fructisication in plants, what their real structure and uses are, may perhaps be discovered by suture observations.

This species occurs not unfrequently on moist banks in Woods, as in Charlton Wood, and the Woods about Hampstead, producing its Fructisscations in February and March.

As the Capitula pulverulenta of DILLENIUS, or Sphærophylli as they are called by Necker, are entirely wanting in this Moss, and as the existence of those singular little heads seems very obviously to distinguish the Genus Mnium, I have chosen rather to arrange it with DILLENIUS and Hudson among the Bryums, than with LINNÆUS among the Mniums; for if we make Mniums of all the Mosses which have Stellulæ, we shall involve ourselves in considerable dissiputable that it is difficult to say whether they exist in them or not; but if they were obviously to be distinguished, there is not the least likeness between a Stellulæ and Sphærophyllum, why then unite in one Genus plants which have such very different appearances? Would it not be better to consider the Mosses which produce Sphærophylli or little balls as Mniums, according to DILLENIUS, and divide the Bryums, if necessary, into two families, viz. such as have obvious Stellulæ, and such as have none?

The name of rough Bryum, which Mr. Hudson seems to have given to this Moss for brevity's sake, conveys an idea with which this Bryum does not seem perfectly to correspond, it having no roughness except at the edges of the leaves, which are minutely ferrated:

Bryum, as being justifiable from the singular shape of the Peduncles, and being more likely to be remembered from its striking analogy.



HYPNUM PROLIFERUM. PROLIFEROUS HYPNUM.

HYPNUM Linnæi Gen. Pl. CRYPTOGAMIA MUSCI.

Raii Syn. Gen. 3. Musci.

HYPNUM proliferum furculis proliferis, plano-pinnatis, pedunculis aggregatis. Linnæi Syst. Vegetab. p. 800.

HYPNUM ramis teretibus pinnatis, pinnulis pinnatis, foliis adpressis. Haller. bist. 3. p. 33.

HYPNUM filicinum, Tamarisci foliis minoribus, non splendentibus. Dillen. p. 276. icon. 35. fig. 14.

HYPNUM repens filicinum minus, luteo virens. Catal Gifs. 217. Raii Synop. p. 86. n. 36. Hudson, Fl.

Angl. p. 422. Weis Cryptogam. p. 230.

CAULES palmares ad dodrantales, repentes, hinc inde \$ STALKS from three to nine inches in length, creepradiculas fuscas exferentes, sæpe vero adeo intricate connexi ut humi serpere nequeant, soliis ovato-acuminatis, carinatis, mucronatis, sparse tectis, sig. 1. horum foliolorum superficies, microscopio valde aucta granulosa apparet, fig. 2.

RAMI pulchre pinnati, deflexi, virescentes, ad luteum colorem plus minusve accedentes pro ratione situs aut anni temporis, omni splendore destituti, rachis concolor, ad extremitatem plerumque incrassatus. Ramuli et Pinnulæ foliolis exilissimis, confertis, nudo oculo vix conspicuis imbricatim tecti; e disco rami, aut frondis, novus caulis aut furculus plerumque exsurgit, unde plantula mire extenditur ac propagatur, et hinc Prolifer vocatur.

aut quinque, aliquando plures e caule aggrega-tim affurgunt, et in quibufdam caulibus, Perichætia plura aut potius eorum rudimenta occurrunt, e quibus Pedunculi sequente anno probabiliter nascuntur.

Perichetium fig. 3. aut basis pedunculi, ovatum, foliolis tenuibus pilo longo slexuoso terminatis vestitum. Capsulæ sive Antheræ fig. 4, quæ Semen aut Pollinem continent, incurvatæ, ex fusco aurantiacæ. Operculum fig. 6, (quod collo capfulæ infigitur, et semine maturescente decidit) breve, et acumina-tum. Orificium Capfulæ duplici ferie Ciliarum instruitur fig. 8. 9. CILIE exteriores sig. 8. aurantiacæ, divergentes, apicibus aliquando paululum inflexis, et cum aridæ sint fragiles; interiores fig. 9, convergentes, membrana reticulata connexæ, ad quam videndam microsco-pio opus est. Pollen sive Semen viride. Calyptra fig. 5. quâ anthera cum suo Operculo partim tegitur et quæ primum decidit albida est.

ing on the ground, and here and there fending forth finall brown fibres, but very often fo intricately connected together as to be hindered fricately connected together as to be hindered from creeping, thinly covered with leaves of an oval pointed shape, having a strong midrib, which runs out to a fine point fig. 1. when greatly magnified the surface of these leaves exhibits a granulated appearance fig. 2.

BRANCHES beautifully pinnated, and bending downward, of a green colour, more or less inclined to vellow, according to its place of growth, and

ward, of a green colour, more or less inclined to yellow, according to its place of growth, and the feason of the year, without any gloss; the midrib of the same colour with the leaves and generally thicker at its extremity; the small leaves, laying one over another, and scarce discernible to the naked eye. From the middle of the branch or Frons most commonly arises a new stalk, or surculus, by which means this plant is singularly extended and propagated, and plant is fingularly extended and propagated, and from this circumstance it acquires the name of Proliferous.

PEDUNCULI sesquiunciales, rubri, plerumque quatuor PEDUNCLES about an inch and a half in length, of a bright red colour, generally about four or five, fometimes more, fpring from the stalk nearly to-gether, in some of the stalks there is the ap-pearance of several *Perichætia* without peduncles, pearance of leveral *Perichætia* without peduncies, which probably arise from them the next year. The Perichætium fig. 3. which is the base of the peduncle, is of an oval shape, and covered with small leaves which terminate in a long flexible point. The Capsules or Antheræ containing the pollen or feed fig. 4, are incurvated, and of a brown orange colour. The OPERCULUM fig. 6, (which fits on to the top of the Capfule, and when the feed contained within it, is ripe, falls off) is fhort, and pointed; the mouth of the Capfule has two rows of CILLE fig. 8. 9; the exterior row fig. 8, orange coloured, and diverging, the tops of them fometimes bending a little inward, and brittle when dry, the interior row fig. 9, converging, of a membranous texture, and when very much magnified, appearing reticulated. The POLLEN or SEED contained within the Capfules is green. The CALYPTRA fig. 5, which partly covers the The CALYPTRA fig. 5. which partly covers the anthera and operculum, and first drops off is of a white colour.

There is scarce a Wood in the environs of this City, on the borders of which this elegant species of Moss

It produceth its fructifications from December to February; in this state however it is but seldom met with, yet may be found by diligent searching. Linnæus in one of his journies through Sweden, observed this Moss growing in the thickest Woods, obscured with perpetual shade, and where all other plants perished.

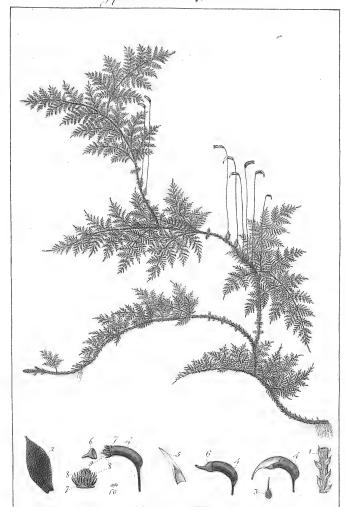
Most of the writers who have made this class of plants more particularly the object of their enquiries, have generated.

ally made two distinct Genera of the Hypnum and Bryum, yet so great is the affinity betwixt them, and so much do they run into one another, that what some of these Authors call a Bryum, others denominate a Hypnum; indeed this division seems adopted more to facilitate the investigation of the plants of this numerous family, than from any real natural division which takes place between them. The difference between some of the Hypnums and some of the Bryums is obvious to almost every one, but to ascertain the limits where the one begins and the other terminates, seems a task too difficult for the most accurate Botanist.

The principal Characteristics of a Bryum according to Linnæus, are, that the peduncle which suffains the Anthera or Capsule, grows out of the top of the surculus or stalk, and is surnished at its base with a little naked tubercle or bulb; in the Hypnum on the contrary, the peduncle grows out of the side of the stalk and the tubercle at

its base is covered with leaves and called a Perichætium,

Hypnum Protiferum .



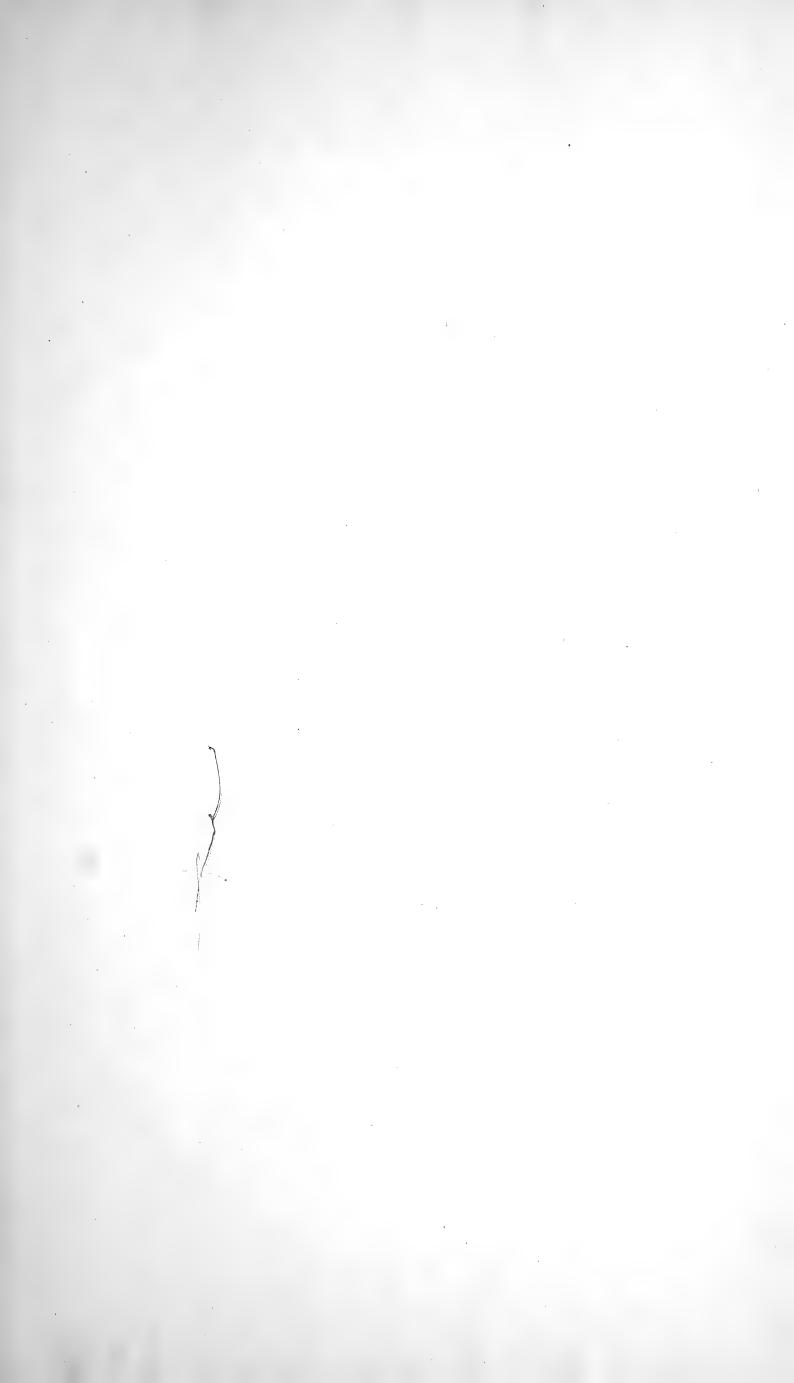
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1 Hippuris vulgaris	Monandria Monogynia.
2 Veronica montana —— ·	DIANDRIA Monogynia.
3 Valeriana dioica	TRIANDRIA Monogynia.
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6 Panicum verticillatum	Transcarding .
7 Panicum fanguinale	
8 Panicum crus galli	TRIANDRIA Digynia.
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13 Scabiofa arvensis	
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15 Afperula odorata 16 Cynogloffum officinale	
17 Menyanthes trifoliata	
18 Symphytum officinale . —	PENTANDRIA Monogynia.
19 Vinca major	
20 Samolus valerandi	
21 Campanula rotundifolia 22 Chironia Cențaurium)
23 Chenopodium hybridum	PENTANDRIA Digynia.
24 Bunium Bulbocastanum	TERTITION IN 2018) MAIN
25 Chærophyllum fylvestre	PENTANDRIA Polygynia.
26 Myofurus minimus 27 Peplis Portula	HEXANDRIA Monogynia.
28 Polygonum amphibium	OCTANDRIA Digynia.
29 Polygonum Convolvulus.	OCTANDRIA Trigynia.
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32 Arenaria ferpyllifolia . ———————————————————————————————————	J :
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35 Spergula faginoides	
36 Euphorbia exigua .	Dodecandria Trigynia.
37 Clematis Vitalba	POLYANDRIA Polygynia.
38 Ranunculus repens 39 Ranunculus hederaceus	
40 Galeopdolon Galeopsis . —	
41 Stachys arvenfis	DIDYNAMIA Gymnospermia.
42 Prunella vulgaris	
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45 Antirrhinum Crontium	DIDYNAMIA Angiospermia.
46 Raphanus Raphanistrum	The second of th
47 Turritis glabra	TETRADYNAMIA Siliquofa.
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50 Malva moschata	Monadelphia Polyandria.
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